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# GROUND-WATER RESOURCES OF THE MIFFLINTOWN AND LOYSVILLE QUADRANGLES IN SOUTH-CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA

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## ABSTRACT

The Loysville and Mifflintown quadrangles include an area of about 460 square miles of valley and ridge terrain in south-central Pennsylvania. This area is underlain by strongly folded sedimentary rocks that consist chiefly of sandstone, siltstone, shale, and limestone of Ordovician, Silurian, and Devonian age\*

The rocks are deeply weathered and in most places are covered by a mantle of unconsolidated to semiconsolidated rock residue (saprolite) that ranges from less than 1 foot to about 50 feet in thickness. The permeability of this material is low, but its high storage is an important aspect in the hydrology of the area. Water-bearing openings in the consolidated bedrock, which are chiefly fractures, decrease in size and number as depth increases. Most drilled wells in the study area tap no more than two or three significant water-bearing openings in the upper 100 feet of bedrock.

Two test wells were drilled on fracture traces, one in the calcareous shale of the Wills Creek Formation and one in the Tonoloway Formation. Neither well penetrated deeply weathered or extensively fractured rock, as have wells drilled on these features in carbonate rocks in a nearby area. The test well in limestone did penetrate a solution opening, however, and the 1-hour specific capacity of 62 gpm per foot (gallons per minute per foot of draw-down) was the highest measured during this study. The specific capacity of the other test well was about the same as the average for wells in the Wills Creek Formation.

Yields reported for more than 500 wells range from less than 1 gpm (gallons per minute) to 275 gpm; the median yield is 12 gpm. Fewer than 5 percent of the wells were reported to yield more than 50 gpm, and fewer than 3 percent were reported to yield less than 1 gpm. The median well yields for individual formations and members do not differ greatly; they range from 6 to 20 gpm. Most of the

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\*The geologic nomenclature in this report is that of the Pennsylvania Topographic and Geologic Survey and does not necessarily coincide with that of the U.S. Geological Survey.

yield data were obtained from domestic wells that were drilled no deeper than was necessary to obtain a yield of 5 to 10 gpm. Most of these wells are between 50 and 170 feet deep; their median depth is 88 feet.

Short-term (mostly 1-hour) specific capacities determined at low pumping rates (generally less than 25 gpm) for 79 wells, are relatively low—indicating that the average permeability of the bedrock is low. The specific capacities ranged from less than 0.1 gpm per foot to 62 gpm per foot, but the median value was only 0.55 gpm per foot.

Analysis of specific-capacity data by frequency distributions indicates that wells in calcareous shale and limestone of Late Silurian and Early Devonian age generally exhibit higher specific capacities than do wells in the dominantly noncalcareous shales and sandstones of other geologic periods. Analysis of these data with regard to the topographic position of the wells indicates that, for a given rock type, the higher specific capacities are generally exhibited by the wells in valleys. The specific capacities of wells in valleys, for any given frequency of occurrence, are about double those on hillsides and hilltops. This indicates that the permeability of various rock types tends to be somewhat higher in valleys than on hillsides and hilltops.

Evaluation of reported-yield data, specific-capacity data, and borehole-flow data from the deepest wells inventoried indicate that the principal yielding zones generally occur above a depth of about 200 feet.

Mapped rock units were assigned to one of three general categories—good, fair, or poor—according to their estimated potential for yielding water to wells. Assignments were made in part on the basis of specific-capacity data and in part on topographic and lithologic considerations. Units of good yielding potential include the interval of calcareous shale and limestone between the Wills Creek and the Onondaga Formations. Units of fair yielding potential include the noncalcareous shales, sandstones, and interbedded sandstones and shales that overlie and underlie the calcareous units, exclusive of the units that underlie the crests and steep slopes of the principal ridges and mountains. The latter are considered to have poor yielding potential. Rock units having the greatest potential are the Wills Creek and Tonoloway Formations. These units underlie considerably more valley area than other calcareous rock units.

Water from calcareous shales and limestones generally has a dissolved-solids content of 200 to 300 mg/l (milligrams per liter) and the water is generally hard to very hard. Water from the non-



calcareous shales, siltstone, and sandstones generally has a total dissolved-solids content of 100 to 200 mg/l. and is generally soft to moderately hard.

Locally, the Wills Creek and Tonoloway Formations yield water containing excessive concentrations of sulfate hardness, rendering the water unfit for many uses. Iron is present in bothersome or noticeable amounts in water from several wells that tap non-calcareous shales and sandstones. Units in which reports of iron were common include the Martinsburg, Reedsville, Marcellus, and Mahantango Formations. Concentrations of iron in all units ranges from 0.1 to 2.6 mg/l. Several wells in the black shales of the Martinsburg, Reedsville, and Marcellus Formations, and a few wells in dark shales of other dominantly noncalcareous formations, yield water containing bothersome or noticeable amounts of hydrogen sulfide gas.

Hydrologic conditions exist in many areas that may result in the downward movement of shallow ground water into wells containing too little casing or casing around which the annular space is inadequately sealed. Such movement may result in bacterial contamination of wells in areas of closely spaced homes that are served by on-lot sewage-disposal systems. It is recommended that wells be cased and grouted to a depth of 50 feet. However, even this precaution may not prevent pollution of a well if polluted water is allowed access to deep zones in the bedrock through faultily constructed wells nearby.

Use of ground water in the study area is negligible in comparison to the available supply. The average use of ground water and surface water in five communities served by public distribution systems was only 0.19 million gallons per day in 1964. About 27 percent of this amount was obtained from wells.

## INTRODUCTION

### PURPOSE OF THIS INVESTIGATION

Little information is available concerning the ability of the folded sedimentary rocks of the mountainous region of central and south-central Pennsylvania to yield water to wells. This study was undertaken to determine the water-yielding potential of more than 20 formations in the Loysville and Mifflintown quadrangles (Fig. 1) and to evaluate the relationships of factors such as topographic position, rock type and structure, and depth of aquifer penetration on the yield of wells. From these relationships it was expected that criteria could be established for drilling wells to optimum depths in areas where the chances of obtaining above-average yields are most favorable.

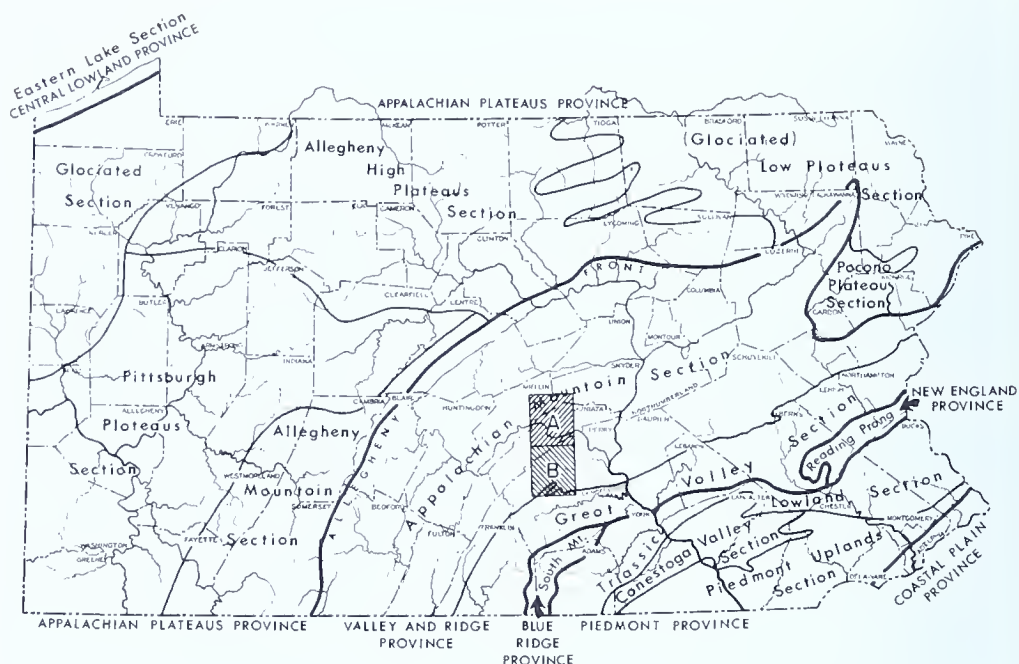


Figure 1. Map of Pennsylvania showing the location and the physiographic divisions in the area of the Mifflintown (A) and Loysville (B) quadrangles.

The study area was selected because most of the formations that underlie the study area are present throughout much of the mountainous section of central and south-central Pennsylvania, so that the results obtained will be applicable over a much larger area, and because recent detailed geologic mapping was available.

The investigation was done as part of the continuing study of ground-water resources in Pennsylvania that is being made by the U.S. Geological Survey in cooperation with the Pennsylvania Topographic and Geologic Survey.

## METHODS OF INVESTIGATION

Information for more than 600 wells, most of which were drilled for domestic purposes, was obtained chiefly from drillers' records. These data were supplemented by 71 short-term (generally 1-hour) pumping tests, which were used to determine the specific capacities of the wells. Pumping rates for these tests ranged from 3 to 25 gpm.

Two test wells were drilled on fracture traces—linear land-surface features visible, primarily, on areal photographs—to evaluate the potential of such features as a prospecting tool for ground water. Also fracture-trace orientations were compared with joint orientations in the Loysville quad-



range to determine if these features were related to the joint systems visible in outcrops of the bedrock.

Brine-tracing methods were used to determine the rate and direction of borehole flow under both pumping and nonpumping conditions in selected wells, in an attempt to determine the depth and contribution of yielding zones. Brine slugs were introduced into the wells at known depths with a small-diameter plastic tube, and their direction and rate of movement were determined by means of a depth-calibrated fluid-resistivity sonde, suspended on a cable, and a stop watch.

Water-level measurements were made in several wells with automatic water-level recorders, to determine the magnitude of water-level fluctuations that occur in response to climatic conditions.

Samples were collected from 21 wells for complete chemical analysis, and from 22 additional wells for determination of nitrate and chloride. Field determinations of hardness and specific conductance were made at more than 300 wells, and field determinations of iron were made at 41 wells.

Water samples from 22 wells were analyzed by the membrane filter technique for coliform bacteria.

## PREVIOUS INVESTIGATIONS

The geologic base maps for this study were prepared by the Pennsylvania Topographic and Geologic Survey. The Loysville quadrangle was mapped by Miller (1961), and the Mifflintown quadrangle was mapped by Conlin and Hoskins (1962).

The hydrology of the study area was covered as part of a reconnaissance study of ground-water resources in south-central Pennsylvania by Lohman (1938), and as part of a reconnaissance study of the ground-water resources of the Susquehanna River basin by Seaber and Hollyday (1965, 1966).

Streamflow, precipitation, and water quality data have been collected in the Bixler Run basin, in the west-central part of the Loysville quadrangle since 1954. The data are being collected by the U.S. Geological Survey as part of a study to evaluate the sediment-yielding characteristics of a stream draining an intensely farmed area undergoing little cultural change.

## WELL-NUMBERING SYSTEMS

Two well-numbering systems are used in this report. They consist of a county system and a latitude and longitude location system.

Under the county system the wells are numbered consecutively in each county. Under the latitude and longitude system a well is assigned a number that locates it within a 1-minute grid on the hydrologic maps (Plates 1 and 2). The location number consists of two three-digit segments separated

by a hyphen: the first segment is composed of the last digit of the degree and the two digits of the minutes that define the latitude on the *south* side of a 1-minute quadrangle; the second segment is composed of the last digit of the degree and two digits of the minutes that define the longitude on the *east* side of the same 1-minute quadrangle. Both numbering systems are illustrated in Figure 2.

The first segment of the location number may be used to identify the 15-minute quadrangle in which the well is located. Location numbers beginning with 015 to 029 ( $40^{\circ}15'$  to  $40^{\circ}29'$ ) identify wells in the Loysville quadrangle. Location numbers beginning with 030 to 044 ( $40^{\circ}30'$  to  $40^{\circ}44'$ ) identify wells in the Mifflintown quadrangle.

### TOPOGRAPHY AND DRAINAGE

The study area lies mainly in the Appalachian Mountain Section of the Valley and Ridge Physiographic Province. A small part of the Loysville quadrangle, south of Blue Mountain, is in the Great Valley Section of the province (Fig. 1). The topography is characterized by a prominent north-east-southwest alignment of a succession of narrow, steep-sided ridges and valleys.

Bottoms of the principal valleys are generally between the altitudes of 400 and 700 feet, and the crests of the highest ridges are generally between 1,500 and 2,000 feet. Relief between ridge crests and adjacent valley bottoms is greater than 1,500 feet in several areas and is commonly greater than 300 feet. The highest point in the area, at an altitude of about 2,255 feet, is on Thick Mountain, in the northwest corner of the Mifflintown quadrangle. The lowest point, at just under 420 feet, is where the Juniata River leaves the Mifflintown quadrangle.

About half of the study area is mountainous or hilly woodland, forested chiefly with deciduous trees. The area is well drained by an extensive network of streams that comprise part of the Susquehanna River drainage system. There are few marshy areas and no natural lakes or ponds. Several farm ponds and a few small stream impoundments have been constructed within the study area but their collective affect on the drainage is negligible.

Most of the southern half of the Loysville quadrangle is drained by Sherman Creek, which empties into the Susquehanna River. Most of the remainder of the quadrangle, and nearly all of the area included in the Mifflintown quadrangle, is drained by the Juniata River, a major tributary of the Susquehanna River.

Many small headwater streams flow northwestward and southeastward off the mountains and ridges, emptying into larger streams that flow in the major valleys. Gradients of streams flowing off the principal ridges are commonly 200 feet per mile, or greater. These streams generally cease flowing, or flow only a small amount, during the middle or latter part of the growing

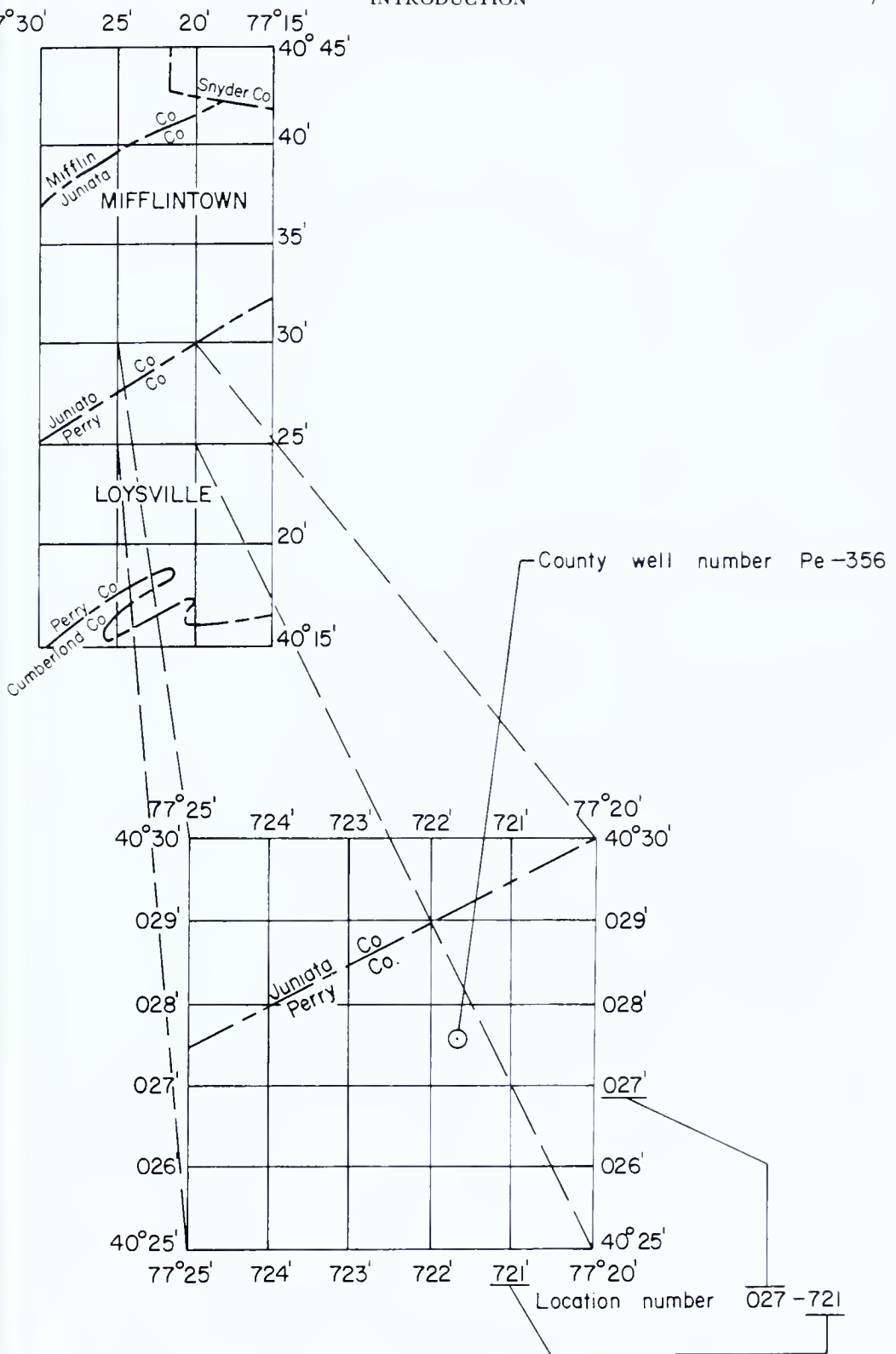


Figure 2. Sketch showing well-numbering systems.

season. Streams flowing in the major valleys have gradients of 50 feet per mile, or more, throughout much of their extent. The lowest gradients are those of Sherman Creek and the Juniata River. Sherman Creek has a gradient of about 8 feet per mile, and the Juniata River has a gradient of about 2 feet per mile.

## CLIMATE

The climate of the Loysville and Mifflintown quadrangles is humid and is characterized by warm summers and cool winters. Precipitation records given in Table 1, for stations near the northern, southern, eastern, and western boundaries of the study area, indicate that the average annual precipitation on this area is about 41 inches.

Precipitation at these stations has ranged from 26 to 62 inches per year; however, distribution of precipitation is commonly fairly even throughout most of the year. During the months of December, January, and February, when much of the precipitation is in the form of snow, precipitation averages less than 3 inches per month, as compared to averages of 3 to 4 inches for all other months.

During the winter months, storm systems are generally widespread and result in a rather uniform distribution of precipitation over the area. During the summer months, most of the precipitation occurs as rainfall that, because of topographic effects, is often unequally distributed on the area.

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## GEOLOGY

The geology of the Loysville and Mifflintown quadrangles has been described in detail in reports by Miller (1961) and by Conlin and Hoskins (1962), respectively. The geologic maps accompanying their reports were used as the geologic base maps for this investigation. Descriptions of individual formations and members are given in Table 2 and in the map explanations on Plates 1 and 2.

*Table 1.—Average monthly and annual precipitation at stations near the Loysville and Mifflintown quadrangles  
(Data from U.S. Weather Bureau records)*

Station * and period of record	Average annual precipitation (inches)											
	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Beavertown 1951-1960	2.72	2.96	3.61	4.06	3.88	3.39	3.53	3.95	3.38	3.01	3.68	3.03
Bloserville 1913-1960	2.87	2.26	3.68	3.87	4.48	4.08	4.27	4.85	3.46	3.52	3.52	2.98
Lewistown 1938-1960	2.41	2.04	3.35	3.31	4.34	4.04	4.01	3.63	2.83	3.23	3.22	2.57
Newport 1931-1960	2.90	2.37	3.55	3.56	4.07	3.71	4.19	4.11	3.03	3.44	3.37	3.05
												41.35
												41.35

\*See Figure 7 for location.

Table 2.—Generalized geologic section of the Loysville and Mifflintown quadrangles

System	Series	Formation and member		Map symbol		Thickness (feet)		Description
		Loysville quadrangle	Mifflintown quadrangle	Loysville quadrangle	Mifflintown quadrangle	Loysville quadrangle	Mifflintown quadrangle	
Devonian	Upper Devonian	Catskill		Dck		±3,500		Siltstone, shale, and sandstone.
		Catskill— Fort Littleton Transition beds		Dfc		±1,400		Interbedded siltstone, sandstone, and shale.
		Fort Littleton	Fort Littleton	Df		2,550		Sandstone, siltstone, and shalc. Shale and siltstone dominant in lower part. Sandstone dominant in upper part.
	Middle Devonian	Rush	Rush	Dr		100-200		Mostly black, thin-bedded to fissile shale; in places carbonaceous. A zone of limestone nodules and calcareous shale is common at top, at base is one or two feet of argillaceous limestone.
		Sherman Ridge		Ds		600		Mahantango Formation consists of interbedded shale, siltstone and sandstone. Upper part is dominantly shale and siltstone; lower part is dominantly sandstone. Sherman Ridge Formation is equivalent to the upper part of the Mahantango. It consists of interbedded sandstone and shale.



		Montebello	Mahantango	Dmo Dmom Dmot	Dmh	±1,000	±1,100	Sandstone is dominant at base; shale is dominant at top. Montebello Formation is equivalent to the lower, sandy part of the Mahantango. It consists of sandstone with interbedded units of siltstone and very fine-grained sandstone. Gradational with Mahanoy and Turkey Ridge members of the Marcellus Formation south and east of Limestone Ridge.
		Marcellus Mahanoy Member	Marcellus Mahanoy Member	Dm Dmm		75-120		Thin-bedded, laminated, silty shale, siltstone, and sandy siltstone.
		Turkey Ridge Member	Turkey Ridge Member	Dmt		100-150		Fine- to medium-grained sandstone.
Lower or Middle Devonian		Shamokin Member	Shamokin Member	Dms		75		Carbonaceous, fissile shale. Silty near top. Calcareous in places. Contains bedded siliceous and pyrite-marcasite, nodules.
		Onondaga	Onondaga	Don		65-175		Argillaceous limestone in upper part. Grades down to calcareous shale. In Loysville quadrangle, shale at base contains phosphatic nodules. Thickens to northwest.

Table 2.—Generalized geologic section of the Loysville and Mifflintown quadrangles—Continued

System	Series	Formation and member		Map symbol		Thickness (feet)		Description
		Loysville quadrangle	Mifflintown quadrangle	Loysville quadrangle	Mifflintown quadrangle	Loysville quadrangle	Mifflintown quadrangle	
Devonian—continued	Lower Devonian	<b>Oriskany and Helderberg</b> undivided		Dho		150–190		Quartz, sandstone at top (Ridgeley member) fine-grained to conglomeratic in Loysville quadrangle thins and becomes fine- to medium-grained in Mifflintown quadrangle. Underlain by chert, cherty limestone, and shale.
		Ridgeley Member of Oriskany Formation	Old Port	Dor	Do	5–35		
		Helderberg Formation and Schriver Member of Oriskany Formation		Dhs		100–150		
		Keyser	Keyser	Sk	Sky	165–180		
	Upper Silurian	Tonoloway	Tonoloway	Sto		550–650		Nodular, fossiliferous limestone.
		Wills Creek Upper	Wills Creek Upper	Sw				Laminated limestone and argillaceous limestone.
				Swu		170–200		Calcareous shale, argillaceous limestone, and siltstone; some sand-



Silurian		Member	Member	Swl	450	stone at top. Shale, siltstone, and claystone; some argillaceous limestone; some sandy limestone.
		Lower Member	Lower Member			
		Bloomsburg	Bloomsburg	Sb  Sbb	350-500	Shale, claystone, siltstone, and sandstone. Local lentils of sandstone and conglomerate near middle in Loysville quadrangle (Bridgeport Member). In Mifflintown quadrangle contains some sandstone near middle and top, and some thin zones of calcareous shale in upper half.
		Bridgeport Member				
	Middle Silurian	Mifflintown	Mifflintown	Sm	150-265	Limestone and interbedded shale. Siltstone, shale, argillaceous to silty limestone near top; intraformational breccia near base. (McKenzie Member). Underlain by shale containing interbeds of crystalline limestone (Rochester Member).
		McKenzie and Rochester Members undivided	McKenzie and Rochester Members undivided	Smn		
	Lower Silurian	Keefer Member	Keefer Member	Smk	30	Quartzitic sandstone containing lenticular interbeds of shale.
		Rose Hill	Rose Hill	Sr		
		Tuscarora	Tuscarora	St		
					850-900	Shale and siltstone with interbeds of shale.
					350-700	Quartzitic sandstone.

Table 2.—Generalized geologic section of the Loysville and Mifflintown quadrangles—Continued

System	Series	Formation and member		Map symbol		Thickness (feet)		Description
		Loysville quadrangle	Mifflintown quadrangle	Loysville quadrangle	Mifflintown quadrangle	Loysville quadrangle	Mifflintown quadrangle	
Ordovician	Upper Ordovician	Juniata	Juniata	Oj		1,000-2,000		Sandstone, siltstone, and shale. Quartzitic in upper part; conglomerate beds at base in Loysville quadrangle.
			Bald Eagle	Ob		±750		Medium-grained sandstone; thick section of conglomerate in middle.
		Martinsburg	Reedsville	Om	Or	1,500-2,000		Shale, siltstone, fine-grained sandstone. Siltstone and sandstone are dominant near top.
	Middle Ordovician		Salona		Os			Interbedded calcareous shale and limestone.
			Nealmont		On			Limestone with some chert.

The rocks at or near the surface in the Loysville and Mifflintown quadrangles are part of a thick sequence of layered sedimentary rocks consisting chiefly of sandstone, siltstone, shale, and limestone. They consist essentially of two thick sequences of predominantly noncalcareous rock units separated by a thick sequence of calcareous rock units. These rocks were deposited more or less continuously during the Ordovician, Silurian, and Devonian Periods of the Paleozoic Era. The Ordovician, Silurian, and Devonian Periods cover an interval of 175 million years that began about 430 millions years ago and ended about 255 millions years ago.

The oldest rocks in the study area are the limestones of the Nealmont and Salona Formations, which are of Middle Ordovician age. These rocks underlie only a very small area in the northwest corner of the Mifflintown quadrangle, and, therefore, were not studied as part of this investigation.

Stratigraphically overlying these units is a sequence of dominantly noncalcareous, clastic rocks deposited during the Late Ordovician and Early and Middle Silurian Epochs. The rock units of Ordovician age include the Martinsburg and Reedsville Formations, which are composed chiefly of shale and siltstone, and the Bald Eagle and Juniata Formations, which are composed chiefly of sandstone, siltstone, shale, and a small amount of conglomerate. Rock units of Early and Middle Silurian age include the Tuscarora Formation, a relatively clean quartzitic sandstone; the Rose Hill Formation, which consists chiefly of siltstone and shale with a few interbeds of sandstone; the Mifflintown Formation, which consists of quartzitic sandstone and interbedded limestone and shale; and the Bloomsburg Formation, which consists chiefly of shale and siltstone with some interbedded fine-grained sandstone.

This dominantly noncalcareous sequence was followed in the Late Silurian and Early Devonian Epochs by the deposition of rocks having a moderately to strongly calcareous composition. The rock units in this stratigraphic interval include the largely calcareous shale and siltstone of the Wills Creek Formation; limestone of the Tonoloway and Keyser Formations; limestone, shale, chert, and sandstone of the Helderberg, Oriskany, and Old Port Formations (units mapped in the Loysville quadrangle as the Helderberg and Oriskany Formations were mapped in the Mifflintown quadrangle as the Old Port Formation); and limestone and calcareous shale of the Onondaga Formation.

These calcareous rocks were buried during Middle and Late Devonian time by a thick sequence of essentially noncalcareous rock units composed dominantly of interbedded sandstone, shale, and siltstone. However, the Marcellus and Rush Formations contain thick units composed chiefly of shale and siltstone, and the Montebello Formation consists chiefly of sandstone.

Near the end of the Paleozoic Era, the long period of subsidence and concomitant sedimentation ended in the area and the sedimentary layers

were then uplifted and subjected to forces (the Appalachian Revolution or Uplift) that produced large folds and some rupturing (faulting). Subsequent erosion sculptured a series of northeast-southwest trending ridges and valleys that are closely accordant with the capability of the rocks to resist weathering. The mountain crests are underlain chiefly by resistant sandstone; the valleys are underlain by less resistant limestone and soft shales. Units of intermediate resistance underlie minor ridges.

Deep burial and folding of the rock units has produced rocks that are nearly everywhere tightly cemented and compacted. The rocks have little primary porosity or permeability. Their capacity to store and transmit water is related to the degree of fracturing and the degree to which fractures have been enlarged by the processes of weathering.

Exposures of bedrock are sparse, owing to the deeply weathered zone that persists throughout much of the area. In many areas the geologic contacts were determined largely on the basis of float and on topographic and tonal features that are visible on aerial photographs. Although the contacts are reasonably accurate, considerable caution must be exercised when attempting to drill from one unit into another in the vicinity of a contact. Because of the steep dip of the bedding in many places, relatively small differences in well placement at the surface may result in substantial differences in the depth to which a well must be drilled in order to penetrate a given unit.

## STRUCTURE

Major structural features of the Loysville and Mifflintown quadrangles parallel the general northeast-southwest topographic grain of the folded Appalachian region of Central Pennsylvania. Axes of the major folds and faults trend N 55°-65° E.

Thick competent units, such as the sandstones and shales of the Bald Eagle, Juniata, and Tuscarora Formations, have been folded into broad, slightly asymmetrical folds and in places exhibit small-scale faulting. Units such as the Wills Creek and Tonoloway Formations, which are composed of many thin beds of shale, siltstone, and limestone of varying competency, tend to be very incompetent as a whole. These units have responded to tectonic stresses by complex small-scale folding and faulting, especially along the crests and troughs of major folds. Similar complex folding has developed in the incompetent shales of the Martinsburg, Reedsville, Marcellus, and Rush Formations. Units of intermediate competency include the Rose Hill, Bloomsburg, Keyser, and Monettbello Formations. These units are relatively thick and homogeneous and contain few crenulations and complex folds.

Axial planes of most folds dip steeply, usually to the northwest. None of the folds are overturned. The majority of the folds plunge northeastward in the Loysville quadrangle, but doubly plunging folds are common in the

Mifflintown quadrangle. The plunge of the folds ranges from  $5^{\circ}$  to  $22^{\circ}$  but is generally on the order of  $5^{\circ}$  to  $10^{\circ}$ .

There are few large-scale faults in the study area, but there are many small-scale faults in the incompetent shales and limestones. Most of the mappable faults are of the high-angle ( $45^{\circ}$ – $90^{\circ}$ ) type. Small-scale normal faults occur locally in tightly folded units such as the Wills Creek and Tonoloway Formations.

Bedding dips steeply throughout most of the area. Dips of less than  $20^{\circ}$  occur near the axes of folds, but generally the dip exceeds  $20^{\circ}$ . In some areas the bedding is vertical, and in many areas dips of more than  $50^{\circ}$  are common.

The geologic reports of the Loysville and Mifflintown quadrangles do not contain descriptions of the joints in the bedrock. However, joint data from the field notes of the authors of these reports were made available by the Pennsylvania Geological Survey. These data are summarized in the following paragraphs, so that the general trends of these structures may be compared with those of fracture traces as discussed in the following section. The data include 181 joint measurements for the Loysville quadrangle and 152 joint measurements for the Mifflintown quadrangle.

The data indicate that the rocks are systematically jointed and that the joints have two markedly preferred orientations. One prominent joint set trends  $N\ 50^{\circ}$ – $60^{\circ}\ E$ , parallel to the general strike of the bedding and parallel to the trend of the major structural features of the bedrock. The other prominent set trends  $N\ 20^{\circ}$ – $40^{\circ}\ W$ , or at nearly right angles to the general strike of bedding. Trends of joint data for the Loysville quadrangle are shown in Figure 3. Trends of joint data for the Mifflintown quadrangle are nearly identical.

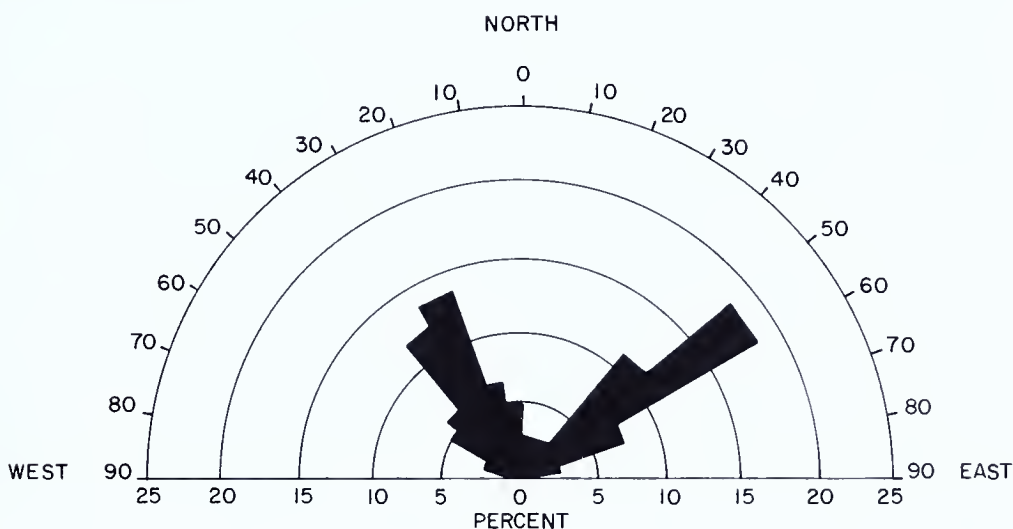


Figure 3. Semi-circular histogram showing orientation of 181 joints in the Loysville quadrangle.



Joints that strike normal to the strike of the bedding generally dip more steeply than those that strike parallel to the strike of the bedding. More than 60 percent of the northwesterly striking joints have a dip of  $80^{\circ}$  or more, and more than 80 percent have a dip of  $70^{\circ}$  or more. By comparison, only 24 percent of the northeasterly striking joints have a dip of  $80^{\circ}$  or more, and only 42 percent have a dip of  $70^{\circ}$  or more.

Joints are commonly well developed in competent sandstone or limestone beds that are interbedded with less competent beds of shale and siltstone. Generally, only one or two joint sets are well developed, but three well-developed sets occur in some outcrops; and four sets are present in a few outcrops.

The majority of the joints that are visible in outcrops are spaced less than 1-foot apart and commonly are no more than a fraction of an inch wide. Joints usually are more widely spaced in sandstones and limestones than in shales and siltstones. The majority of individual joints do not cross bedding planes.

### Fracture Traces

Fracture traces are natural linear features that are visible on aerial photographs, and are believed to be surface expressions of fractures in the underlying bedrock. These features were examined in the study area primarily to determine their potential as a means of locating zones of above-average permeability in the bedrock.

Lattman (1958, p. 569) has defined fracture traces as natural linear features consisting of topographic (including straight stream segments), vegetational, or soil-tonal alignments, which are visible primarily on aerial photographs, and are expressed continuously for less than 1 mile. Similar features that are expressed continuously for at least 1 mile, and continuously or discontinuously for several miles, are defined as lineaments.

Fracture traces do not include linear features that are obviously related to bedding, striation, foliation, and stratigraphic contacts. They are believed to be related to individual joints, zones of closely spaced joints, or small-scale faults. Lineaments, some of which are 50 miles long, are thought to be surface expressions of vertical planes deep in the earth's crust. Inasmuch as these features remain straight over irregular topographic surfaces, they are believed to be steeply inclined. Traces of slightly to moderately inclined fractures would be sinuous in areas of substantial relief and probably would not be recognized as fracture traces on aerial photographs.

The visibility of fracture traces and lineaments on aerial photographs is commonly attributed to differences in moisture content or in the degree of development of soils along linear zones; the settling of soil into underlying fractures; and the preferential development of sinkholes, gullies, or streams along fractures or fracture systems.

It is generally difficult or impossible to see the majority of these linear features on the ground, although parts of some traces may be identified as aligned topographic depressions.

Fracture traces were identified and plotted on photographs of the entire Loysville quadrangle and parts of the Mifflintown quadrangle. Plotting was done on photographs at a scale of approximately 1:20,000, first with the unaided eye, then with a stereoscopic lens. Using a photographic enlarger, projections of photographs were reduced to a scale of 1:24,000 so that the fracture traces could be transferred to topographic maps of the same scale. Few fractures were plotted in forested sections—which include more than 50 percent of the Loysville quadrangle—because of the difficulty in distinguishing the numerous wood-lot lines of past timbering operations from natural linear features. Also, few traces were plotted parallel to the general northeast-southwest strike of bedding because of the possibility of mistaking bedding traces for fracture traces. Only the most conspicuous linear features were plotted. Most of the plotted features were identified in the field as soil-tonal alignments, small-scale linear topographic depressions, or a combination of the two. A few, however, were drainage tiles, old trails, or traces of former fence rows. When using photographic linear features to select well sites, care should be taken to determine that they are not man-made features.

Azimuths of the 448 fracture traces plotted on aerial photographs of the Loysville quadrangle were determined and grouped into 10-degree classes. The distribution of these groupings is shown in the semi-circular histogram in Figure 4. The fracture traces have a very pronounced N 0°–10° E trend and a somewhat less pronounced N 20°–30° W. trend.

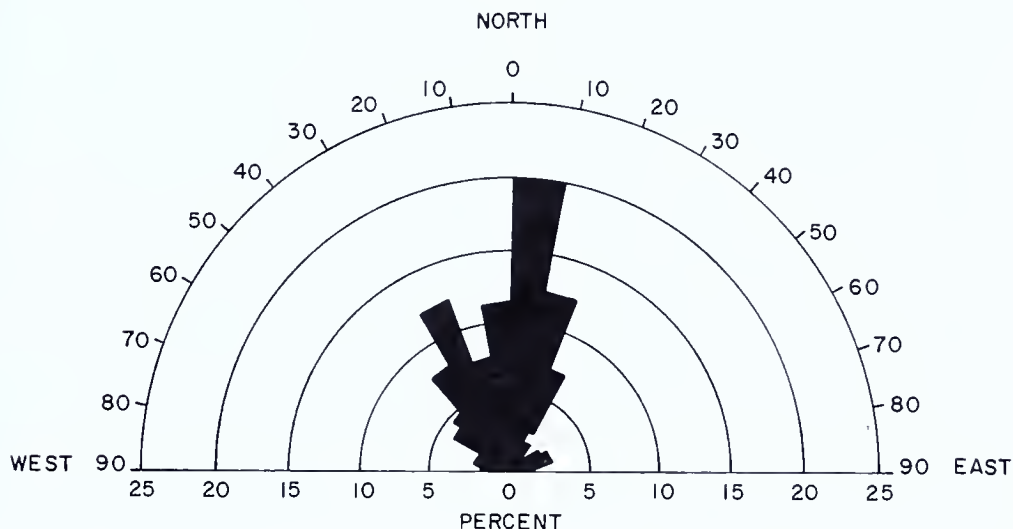


Figure 4. Semi-circular histogram showing orientation of 448 fracture traces in the Loysville quadrangle.

In the northern half of the New Bloomfield quadrangle, which adjoins the Loysville quadrangle on the east, Dyson (1963, p. 10) observed a similarly pronounced north-northeast trend (N 10°–20° E) for photographic linear features that he identified as solution trenches. These occur almost exclusively in the Tonoloway Formation (limestone). Approximately 50 miles to the northwest, in Centre County, Matzke (1961) also observed a very pronounced northerly trend of fracture traces. He also observed a minor east-west trend, which was not found in the Loysville quadrangle.

Fracture traces in the Loysville quadrangle and in western Centre County (Matzke, 1961) commonly extend across formational contacts and faults. (See Fig. 5.) In the Loysville quadrangle, a few traces cross as many as 6 or 7 formational contacts. In some places, traces extend continuously across beds of limestone, shale, and sandstone.

Fracture traces are most prominently developed in the calcareous shales of the Wills Creek Formation and in the limestones of the Tonoloway and Keyser Formations. More than 70 percent of the fracture traces plotted are in these three units.

Fracture-trace and joint trends are similar in areas of gently dipping sedimentary rocks (Lattman and Nickelson, 1958; Hough, 1960; Boyer and McQueen, 1964), but one or more of the dominant trends of fracture traces may differ from those of the joints in areas of folded rocks (Matske, 1951; Lattman and Matzke, 1961; Meisler, 1963; Trainer and Ellison, 1967). Disparities between fracture-trace and joint trends occur also in the folded rocks of the Loysville quadrangle, as can be seen in comparing the histograms in Figures 3 and 4.

Northwest striking joints and fracture traces show fairly close agreement in trends, but very few joint trends are parallel to the dominant northerly trend of fracture traces. The scarcity of fracture traces that are parallel to the dominant northeast joint trend has already been explained, at least in part, from the author's effort to avoid plotting features that might be traces of bedding.

#### Test Wells On Fracture Traces

Two test wells, Ju-283 and Pe-466, were drilled on fracture traces in shale and limestone of the Tonoloway and Wills Creek Formations. Neither well penetrates very deeply weathered rock or rock that was extensively fractured. These results differed from those obtained in several wells drilled on fracture traces in carbonate rocks in Centre County, Pennsylvania. There, Lattman and Parizek (1964, p. 89–90) found the weathered mantle generally thicker and the occurrence of cavernous solution openings greater beneath fracture traces than beneath interfracture-trace areas. They attributed the extensive weathering to decomposition, solution and removal of rock along vertical fracture zones.



Well Ju-283 was drilled on a fracture trace in argillaceous limestone of the Tonoloway Formation at Old Port, near the southern edge of the Mifflintown quadrangle. The well is near the end of the fracture trace, which is approximately 1,800 feet long and is in the center of a small depression. (See Fig. 5.) The well is 375 feet deep, enters solid bedrock at a depth of 12 feet and penetrates only one opening more than a few inches wide. The opening is between the depths of 119 and 121 feet. It appeared to be a solution opening in a bed containing highly soluble gypsum, as the water from the zone had an exceptionally high sulfate content—more than 800 mg/l (milligrams per liter). The rock penetrated by the well was relatively soft, but firm, and showed little evidence of past fracturing and subsequent healing.

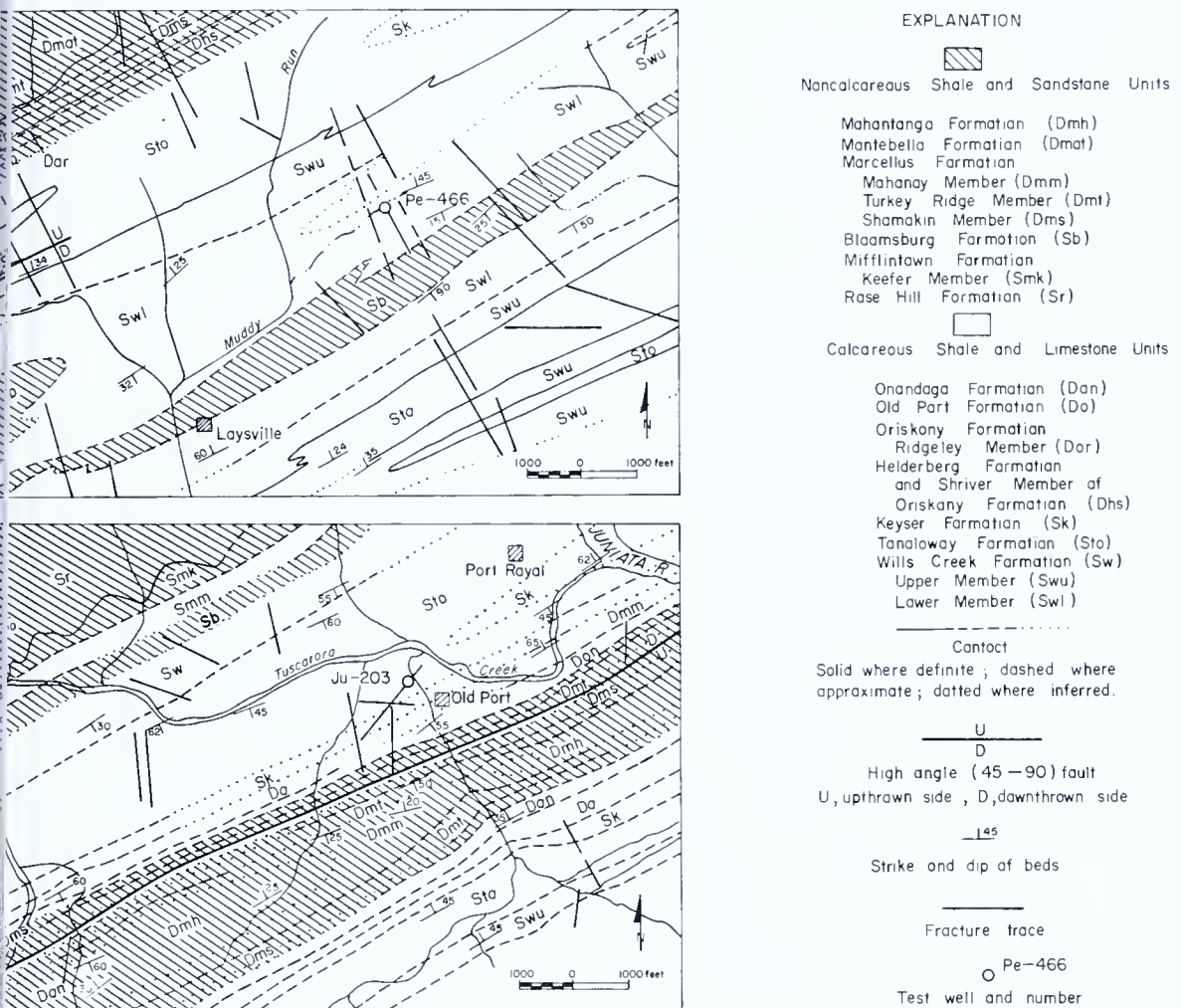


Figure 5. Geologic maps of the Loysville and Port Royal areas showing typical examples of fracture traces and locations of test wells drilled on two traces.

Well Pe-466, was drilled on a fracture trace in soft, calcareous shale of the Wills Creek Formation, approximately one mile northeast of Loysville. This well is also near the end of the fracture trace and as much as 25 feet from the center line of the fracture trace. This well is 300 feet deep, enters solid bedrock at a depth of 24 feet, and penetrates no openings more than a few inches wide. The rock penetrated by this well was firm, unfractured, and showed no evidence of past fracturing and subsequent healing.

The lithologic logs of the two test wells are given in Table 3 and their water-yielding characteristics are discussed in the section on the hydrologic significance of fracture traces.

Fracture traces may be surface expressions of vertical planes of rock weakness along which fracturing and weathering (chiefly solution) have been confined primarily to the more competent and more soluble beds. Thus, the 2-foot solution opening in well Ju-283 may be a more or less tubular opening that extends along a linear fracture zone within the highly soluble bed that was penetrated at a depth of 119 feet.

The absence of any sizable solution cavities or fractures in well Pe-466 indicates that if such openings extend laterally from a vertical fracture in the section of rock penetrated by this well they are scarce and do not extend more than a few feet from the fracture zones.

## HYDROLOGY

The continuous circulation of water from the oceans—to the atmosphere—to land areas and back to the ocean, occurring over and beneath the land surface, is known as the “hydrologic cycle”. The part that moves beneath the surface is the ground-water phase of the cycle, the phase with which this report is concerned.

Precipitation is the phase of the cycle that supplies fresh water to land areas, and is the source of all the naturally occurring surface and subsurface water in the Loysville and Mifflintown quadrangles. The 41 inches of annual precipitation on the study area is equivalent to about 712 million gallons per square mile. It is estimated, for a period of many years, that more than half of this amount is returned to the atmosphere by the process of evaporation and transpiration, collectively termed evapotranspiration. Most of the remainder either runs directly overland to streams, or infiltrates to the water table and percolates very slowly, through openings in the rocks, to nearby streams.

Direct runoff generally is discharged from drainage basins in the study area within a few days. Ground-water flow, however, may take months or even years to travel from points of recharge to points of discharge in a stream or other surface-water body. Thus, the openings in subsurface materials comprise a reservoir for storing water and serve to maintain streamflow by

*Table 3.—Logs of test wells Ju-283 and Pe-466*  
WELL JU-283

Description*	Depth (feet)
<b>Quaternary System</b>	
<b>Holocene Series</b>	
Gravel, alluvial, yellowish-brown . . . . .	0-12
<b>Silurian System</b>	
<b>Upper Series</b>	
<b>Tonoloway Formation</b>	
Shale, moderately calcareous, light olive-gray . . . . .	12-20
Siltstone, moderately calcareous, olive-gray; yield zone at 37 feet (4.7 gpm) . . . . .	20-50
Shale, moderately calcareous, medium gray, platy; one piece with calcite crystals . . . . .	50-55
Siltstone, moderately calcareous, olive-gray . . . . .	55-72
Shale, moderately calcareous, olive-gray, platy . . . . .	72-75
Shale, slightly calcareous, medium-dark-gray, very platy . . . . .	75-80
Shale, moderately calcareous, light-olive-gray, slightly platy, a few pieces contain finely disseminated pyrite or marcasite . . . . .	80-82
Shale, very calcareous, dark gray, and siltstone, moderately calcareous, light-olive-gray; yield zone at 90 feet (14.5 gpm) . . . . .	82-97
Shale, moderately calcareous, light-olive-gray; some limestone, silty, light gray, very fine-grained, granular . . . . .	97-105
Shale, slightly calcareous, medium-light-gray; several pieces contain subhedral calcite crystals; yield zone at 108 feet (34 gpm) . . . . .	105-110
Shale, noncalcareous, dark gray; and shale, slightly calcareous, light-olive-gray . . . . .	110-119
Claystone, noncalcareous, very soft; tabular rock fragments have yellow, hematite-stained surfaces; solution opening approximately 2-feet wide is yield zone (124 gpm) . . . . .	119-121
Shale, calcareous, medium-dark-gray; several pieces of vein calcite (may be from zone above) . . . . .	121-130
Shale, moderately calcareous, light-olive-gray; yield increased at about 130 feet . . . . .	130-135
Limestone, dark gray . . . . .	135-140
Limestone, medium-light-gray . . . . .	140-145
Limestone, medium-dark-gray, somewhat platy . . . . .	145-150
Limestone, medium-dark-gray, platy, hard . . . . .	150-172
Limestone, argillaceous, medium-gray, platy . . . . .	172-180
Limestone, argillaceous, medium-gray, platy; and siltstone, calcareous, yellowish-gray; some limestone, finely laminated, small opening at 180 feet is yield zone (203 gpm) . . . . .	180-197
Limestone, argillaceous, medium-gray . . . . .	197-205
Limestone, medium-dark-gray . . . . .	205-230
Siltstone, noncalcareous to slightly calcareous, medium-light-gray . . .	230-235
Limestone, medium-light-gray . . . . .	235-240
Limestone, argillaceous, light- to medium-light-gray; some pieces are finely laminated . . . . .	240-245

Table 3.—Logs of test wells Ju-283 and Pe-466—Continued  
WELL JU-283—Continued

Description *	Depth (feet)
Limestone, medium-light-gray to dark gray . . . . .	245–275
Limestone, medium-gray; some pieces show fine laminations . . . . .	275–290
Limestone, argillaceous, medium-light-gray, somewhat platy . . . . .	290–295
Siltstone, moderately calcareous, medium-light-gray; some limestone, finely laminated . . . . .	295–300
Limestone, argillaceous, light-olive-gray, laminated . . . . .	300–320
Limestone, medium-gray; some vein calcite . . . . .	320–330
Limestone, argillaceous, medium-gray, laminated, platy . . . . .	330–335
Limestone, laminated, medium-gray . . . . .	335–340
Limestone, medium-gray; a few pieces are laminated . . . . .	340–345
Limestone, dark gray . . . . .	345–360
Limestone, dark gray; vein calcite abundant . . . . .	360–366
Limestone, medium-dark-gray . . . . .	366–370
Limestone, medium-light-gray . . . . .	370–375

WELL PE-466

Description *	Depth (feet)
Silurian System	
Upper Series	
Wills Creek Formation	
Lower Member	
Soil, clayey, dark-brown . . . . .	0–5
Soil, clayey, dark-brown; some fragments of shale, brown . . . . .	5–10
Soil, clayey, dark-brown, moist; yield zone at 24 feet (4 gpm) . . . . .	15–24
Shale, grayish-green; small opening at 30 feet . . . . .	24–33
Shale, red; and shale, mottled red and green . . . . .	33–45
Shale, grayish-red . . . . .	45–50
Shale, grayish-green; alternately hard and soft . . . . .	50–55
Shale, calcareous, grayish-green . . . . .	55–60
Shale, moderately calcareous, dark-gray . . . . .	60–65
Shale, grayish-green . . . . .	65–70
Shale, light-gray . . . . .	70–72
Shale, calcareous, light-brown . . . . .	72–74
Siltstone, light-brown; yield zone at 75 feet (1 gpm) . . . . .	74–76
Limestone, gray, soft . . . . .	76–80
Shale, slightly calcareous, light gray . . . . .	80–83
Siltstone, light-brown . . . . .	83–85
Shale, slightly calcareous, light-gray . . . . .	85–90
Shale, noncalcareous, grayish-red . . . . .	90–95
Siltstone, calcareous, grayish-red . . . . .	95–100
Shale, calcareous, grayish-red . . . . .	100–105
Shale, noncalcareous, grayish-red . . . . .	105–109



## WELL PE-466—Continued

Description*	Depth (feet)
Shale, calcareous, dark-gray . . . . .	109-115
Shale, noncalcareous, light-grayish-green . . . . .	115-125
Shale, noncalcareous, light-grayish-green and dark gray . . . . .	125-130
Shale, noncalcareous, mottled grayish-red and grayish-green; yield zone at 131 feet (approx. 10 gpm) . . . . .	130-135
Shale, noncalcareous, grayish-red and grayish-green . . . . .	135-140
Shale, noncalcareous, grayish-red . . . . .	140-145
Shale, noncalcareous, grayish-green, hard; yield zone at 145 feet (15 gpm) . . . . .	145-150
Shale, noncalcareous, grayish-green and grayish-red . . . . .	150-155
Shale, noncalcareous, grayish-red, hard . . . . .	155-165
Shale, calcareous, grayish-green; some limestone, gray . . . . .	165-170
Limestone, dark-gray, hard . . . . .	170-180
Shale, noncalcareous, grayish-green . . . . .	180-185
Shale, noncalcareous, grayish-red . . . . .	185-193
Shale, calcareous, grayish-green . . . . .	193-197
Limestone, dark-gray . . . . .	197-205
Shale, calcareous, grayish-green . . . . .	205-210
Shale, noncalcareous, grayish-green . . . . .	210-211
Limestone, light-gray; yield zone at about 217 feet (25 gpm) . . . . .	211-215
Shale, noncalcareous, grayish-green . . . . .	215-240
Shale, calcareous, gray and greenish-gray . . . . .	240-246
Shale, noncalcareous, grayish-red . . . . .	246-250
Shale, noncalcareous, grayish-red and grayish-green . . . . .	250-255
Shale, calcareous, grayish-red and grayish-green . . . . .	255-258
Limestone, medium to dark-gray . . . . .	258-270
Shale, noncalcareous, grayish-red and grayish-green . . . . .	270-275
Shale, moderately calcareous, grayish-red . . . . .	275-280
Shale, noncalcareous, grayish-red . . . . .	280-285
Shale, calcareous, gray and grayish-red . . . . .	285-290
Shale, calcareous, grayish-red, and shale noncalcareous to slightly calcareous, grayish-green . . . . .	295-300

\*Yields (in parentheses) are the discharges produced by the air-rotary drilling machine from the given depth.

absorbing the periodic precipitation and returning it slowly but continuously to streams. During long periods without precipitation, the flows of unregulated streams in the Loysville-Mifflintown quadrangles are sustained entirely by drainage from the ground-water reservoir.

Relation between precipitation, ground-water levels, and streamflow, with streamflow separated into its direct runoff and ground-water runoff (baseflow) components, may be judged from Figure 6. Well Pe-212 is on a hillside in the community of Landisburg, about 5 miles southeast of the Bixler Run drainage basin. Fluctuations of water levels in this well are

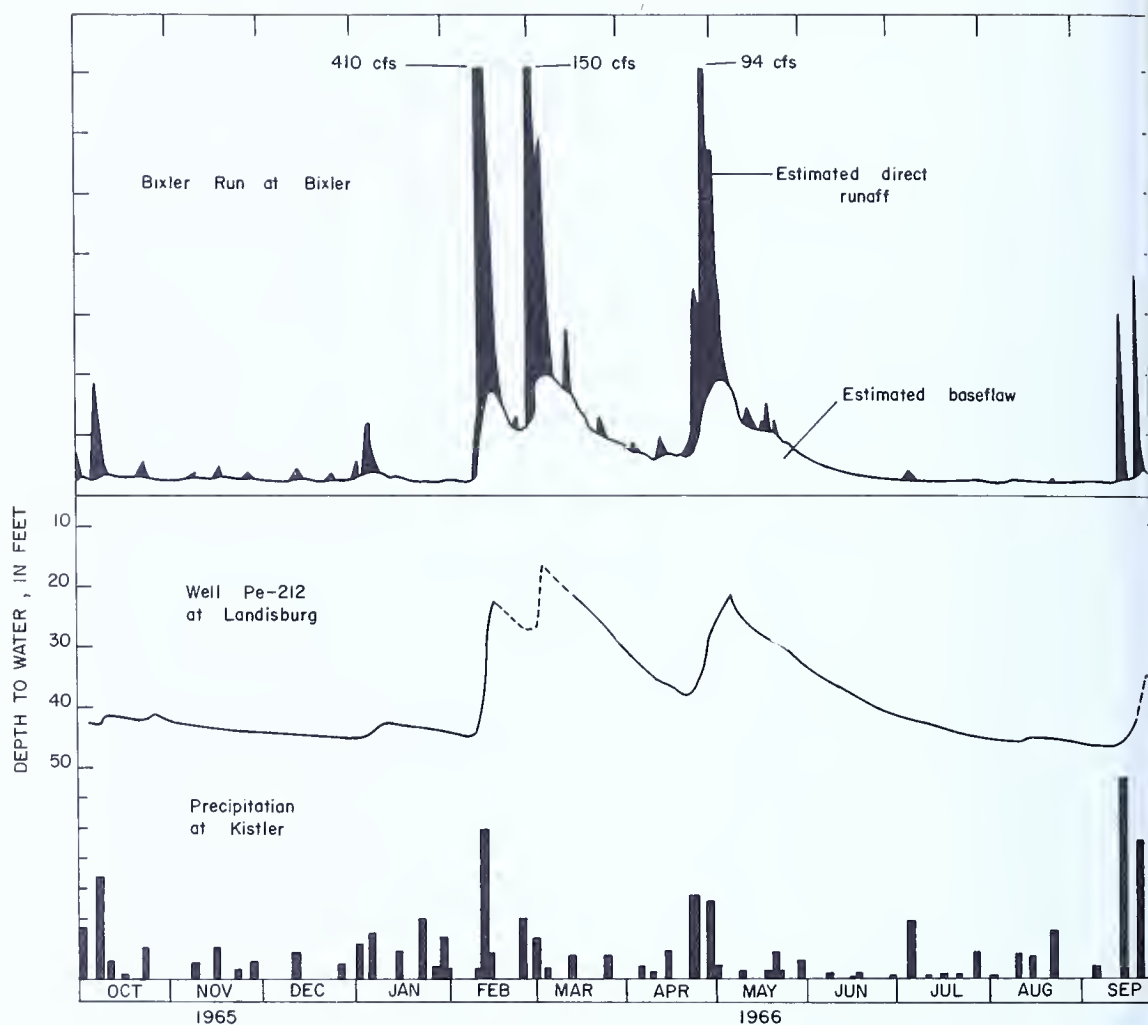


Figure 6. Graphs showing precipitation, ground-water levels, and streamflow.

typical of those in wells in similar topographic situations throughout the study area.

The graphs, showing precipitation, ground-water levels, and streamflows, are for the 1966 water year (October 1965 to September 1966), during which drought conditions prevailed. Despite overall drought conditions, above-normal precipitation during the months of January, February, and April, resulted in abundant recharge to the ground-water reservoir, as shown by the rise in ground-water runoff to Bixler Run. During the period May through August, precipitation was substantially below normal. The hydrograph of streamflow shows that only a small amount of precipitation during this period become direct runoff and that streamflow consisted almost entirely of baseflow. The fact that precipitation during late spring and summer months resulted in little recharge to the ground-water reservoir in-

icates that most of the precipitation was either consumed by evapotranspiration or was retained by the soil to satisfy soil-moisture deficits.

## WATER BUDGETS

The general disposition of the precipitation that falls on a drainage basin during a given interval of time can be shown in terms of a water-budget equation that equates total inflow to total outflow, plus or minus the net change in surface-water, ground-water, and soil-moisture storage. Over periods of several years, the net natural change in storage is usually negligible and, thus, can be ignored. The budget may be simplified further if underground inflow and outflow are assumed to be negligible. This assumption is probably correct for most basins in the vicinity of the study area, as stream-flow in and near the study area is measured at points underlain by sandstone and shale that have low permeability. Thus, simplified, the equation may be expressed as:

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{(Inflow)} \\ P \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \text{(Outflow)} \\ R + L; \end{array}$$

in which,

P — precipitation on the basin,

R = stream runoff (baseflow and direct runoff),

L = water loss, resulting chiefly from evapotranspiration.

Precipitation and runoff are the factors in the budget equation that can be determined most accurately. Losses resulting from evapotranspiration cannot be measured directly for large areas and are assumed, on the basis of the simplified equation shown above, to be equivalent to the difference between precipitation and runoff.

Water budgets were computed for four basins that drain small- to moderate-sized parts of the Loysville and Mifflintown quadrangles. (See Fig. 7.) Three of the basins—those drained by Sherman, Tuscarora, and Cocolamus Creeks—are underlain by rock units that are typical of those in the study area. The fourth basin, drained by Kishacoquillas Creek, is underlain in large part by limestones and dolomites of Ordovician age that were not studied as a part of this investigation. The budget data are shown in Table 4.

Data used in the budget equations are average calendar year values for either 11 or 12 year periods. Runoff was measured at gaging stations operated and maintained by the U.S. Geological Survey. Precipitation was measured at stations in or near the individual basins. Data for Lewistown and Newport were obtained from U.S. Weather Bureau records, data for the station at Kistler were collected by the U.S. Geological Survey in conjunction with a sediment study of Bixler Run basin, which is part of the Sherman Creek drainage. Although precipitation on this mountainous region undoubtedly

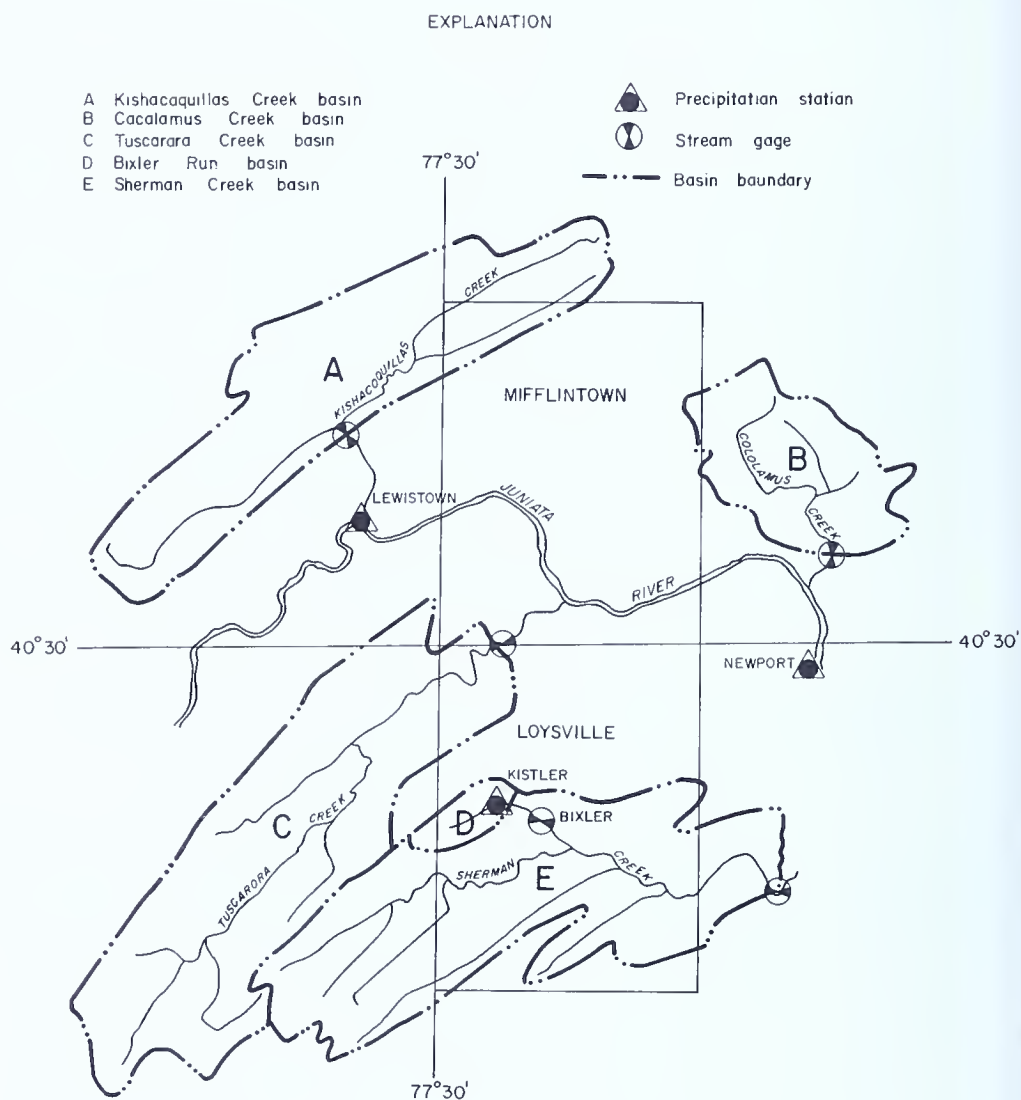


Figure 7. Map showing drainage basins for which water budget were computed.

varies substantially from place to place, the 11 to 12 year averages used are believed to be fairly representative of the long-term average precipitation on individual basins.

The budget data for the four basins indicate that 40 to 46 percent of the average annual precipitation on them leaves as streamflow; most of the remaining 54 to 60 percent is lost as evapotranspiration.



Table 4.—*Basin water budgets*

Basin	Area (sq mi)	Precipitation station	Years	(P) Average annual precipitation		(R) Average annual streamflow		(P-R) Average annual loss	
				(inches)	(inches)	(inches)	(percent of precipitation)	(inches)	(percent of precipitation)
Sherman Creek <sup>1</sup>	200	Kistler	1955-65	42.11	16.51	39.2	25.60	60.8	
Tuscarora Creek	214	Newport	1948-57	41.78	17.11	40.9	24.67	59.1	
Kishacoquillas Creek	164	Lewistown	1955-65	35.12	15.45	43.9	19.67	56.1	
Cocolamus Creek	57.2	Newport	1948-57	41.78	19.11	45.7	22.67	54.3	

<sup>1</sup> Includes Bixler Run basin.

## BASEFLOW

The baseflow of most streams in the study area is believed to be moderately high. Baseflow determinations made for part of the Bixler Run basin, which drains an area of 15 square miles in the west-central part of the Loysville quadrangle, indicate that about 58 percent of the total streamflow consists of ground-water drainage. The rock units drained constitute a fairly representative sample of the rock units studied and include all those of Silurian age. The average annual baseflow shown in Table 5, was computed from streamflow data for the period 1955-65, and was supplied by L. A. Reed of the U.S. Geological Survey (1968, written commun.).

Despite the rather high contribution of ground water to streamflow, average well yields in the study area are low. Similar conditions of high base flow and low well yields in the Brandywine Creek basin of Chester County, Pennsylvania, were attributed to deep permable soils, high gravity yield (short-term specific yield) from the zone of water-table fluctuation, and steep water-table gradients. The moderately high contribution of ground water to streamflow in the Bixler Run basin is believed to be due largely to the very steep water-table gradients that prevail throughout most of the basin and to a moderately high gravity yield for the zone of water-table fluctuation.

*Table 5.—Average runoff from the Bixler Run basin (1955-65)*

Runoff	Cubic feet per second	Inches per year	Million gallons per square mile per year	Percent of total runoff
Direct surface	6.5	5.88	102	42
Baseflow	9.0	8.16	142	58
Total	15.5	14.04	244	100

## THE GROUND WATER RESERVOIR

The ground-water reservoir in the study area, as elsewhere in the unglaciated part of the Valley and Ridge Province, consists of (1) the interstitial openings in saprolite—the unconsolidated to semi-consolidated weathered rock material that mantles the bedrock—and (2) the fracture openings in the underlying and consolidated sedimentary rocks. The porosity of the saprolite is high, but its permability is low. The porosity of the zone of open fractures in the bedrock, on the other hand, is low, but the average permability is somewhat greater than that of the saprolite. The saprolite functions chiefly as a storage reservoir that slowly supplies water to the underlying fractures; the fractures in the bedrock function chiefly as conduits for transmitting the water from areas of recharge to areas of discharge. Where a

ground-water reservoir yields water to wells in usable quantities it is considered to be an aquifer.

### Saprolite

The saprolite varies in thickness from zero at points where bedrock is exposed to as much as 50 feet beneath some hillsides that are underlain by calcareous rock units. The average thickness, as indicated by casing depths in wells, is about 35 feet beneath hillsides and about 20 feet beneath valleys. The saturated thickness of the saprolite ranges from zero beneath most ridgetops and steep slopes to as much as 20 feet in some valleys. On the basis of water-level data from a few dug wells and reports by drillers on the depths at which water was first encountered in wells, the average saturated thickness of the saprolite is estimated to be on the order of 5 to 10 feet in valleys, and less than 5 feet beneath most hillsides. The water table fluctuates several feet seasonally, and it fluctuates more on hillsides than in valleys. Thus, on some hillsides the water table may be within the saprolite in the spring and early summer, but it may drop below the bedrock surface during late summer and fall. The water table is believed to be within the saprolite throughout the year in most valleys.

Large-diameter hand-dug wells, which generally obtain most of their water from the saturated part of the saprolite, are reported to have low yields. This is an indication of the low permeability of the saprolite. Drillers also report that very little water is obtained from the saprolite as a well is being drilled through it.

The specific yield (coefficient of storage) of the saprolite was not determined, but it probably averages between 5 and 10 percent. The coefficient of storage of an aquifer is defined as the volume of water it releases from or takes into storage per unit surface area of the aquifer per unit change in the component of head normal to that surface. Water-budget studies of two areas underlain by fractured-rock aquifers in southeastern Pennsylvania have determined values of this order of magnitude for the zone of water-table fluctuation. In a basin underlain chiefly by igneous and metamorphic rocks, the gravity yield (short-term specific yield) of this zone was estimated to be between 7.5 and 10 percent (Olmsted and Hely, 1962, p. 17). In a basin underlain chiefly by carbonate rock, the specific yield was calculated to be about 5 percent (Meisler, 1963, p. 32). The water table in both areas undoubtedly fluctuates partly in the bedrock and partly in the saprolite; thus, the specific yield cannot be considered to be that of the saprolite alone. In both of these areas, as in the study area, the specific yield of the rock probably decreases as depth below the zone of water-table fluctuation increases.

If the saprolite in valleys within the study area is assumed to have an average specific yield of 5 percent and an average saturated thickness of 5 feet, the complete drainage of 1-square mile of saprolite would result in the discharge of about 52 million gallons of water from storage.

## Bedrock

Fresh, unweathered bedrock is nearly everywhere highly compacted and tightly cemented, and it has few intergranular openings through which water can move. Water occurs in the bedrock chiefly in fractures (joints) or in solution cavities produced as a result of weathering along fractures in carbonate rocks. It was noted previously that joints are numerous in exposures of bedrock. Except in some of the thick, competent sandstones of the Bald Eagle, Juniata, and Tuscarora Formations, they are generally spaced less than one foot apart. Openings along most joint planes are generally no more than a fraction of an inch wide in surface exposures.

Although an entire sequence of beds may contain joints, the width, spacing, and number of joints commonly differ from bed to bed. These differences result in abrupt changes in permeability at bedding planes. The majority of joints do not extend across bedding planes, and those that do are rather widely spaced.

Evidence from several hundred drilled wells inventoried for this study indicate that the frequency and width of joint openings decreases considerably, at relatively shallow depths, below the bedrock surface. Water generally enters wells from only a few widely spaced zones, most of which yield only a few gallons per minute. These yielding zones are reported to be generally no more than a few inches thick, although openings several feet across in the vertical dimension have been penetrated by some wells drilled into limestone. The yielding zones commonly occur at bedding planes.

Analysis of yield-zone data reported for 205 wells, 84 percent of which are 150 feet or less in depth, indicates that most wells penetrate only two yielding zones. Only 16 percent of these wells were reported to have penetrated three or more yielding zones.

The frequency and size of fracture openings decrease as depth increases, owing to the weight of the overlying rock. This condition results in a corresponding decrease in the capacity of the bedrock to store and transmit water. Although water-bearing openings may exist at great depths in the bedrock, most of the openings are within a few hundred feet of the surface. The relation between depth and well yield is discussed further in a later section.

## Water-level Fluctuations

Water levels in wells are continually changing in response to additions of water to, or drainage of water from, the ground-water reservoir. When recharge from precipitation or snowmelt is added to the reservoir faster than it can drain away to streams, water levels rise. When the rate of drainage exceeds the rate of recharge, water levels decline.

Hydrographs showing water-level fluctuations typical of wells in the study area are given in Figure 8. Well Ju-18 is a drilled well, 454 feet deep, in the community of Port Royal. The well is in a low-lying area underlain by the Tonoloway Formation. Well Ju-71 is a drilled well, 472 feet deep, one mile northeast of McAlisterville. The well is on a hillside underlain by the Mifflintown Formation.

Records of water-level fluctuations in these and several other wells indicate that water levels in wells in valleys can normally be expected to fluctuate through an interval of about 10 feet during each year. Water levels in wells on hillsides and hilltops can be expected to fluctuate through an interval of 20 to 30 feet.

Water levels as measured and reported for about 570 wells are listed in Table 6. The water levels are for different months and different years; therefore, as a group they should approximate average conditions. In general, water levels are relatively shallow despite the rugged topography in the study area.

## WELLS

The oldest wells in the Loysville and Mifflintown quadrangles were dug by hand to depths generally less than 30 feet. A few such wells are still in use, but most have been abandoned or destroyed because of their susceptibility to bacterial contamination from on-lot sewage-disposal systems. Most wells in use are drilled wells, which were constructed either by the cable-tool or air-rotary method.

Few large-diameter wells have been drilled in the Loysville and Mifflintown quadrangles. A few municipal and industrial wells are 8 or 10 inches in diameter, but most wells are 6 inches in diameter.

## Depths

The depths of 600 wells range from 25 to 870 feet, but only 57 wells are deeper than 200 feet, and 18 are deeper than 300 feet. The median depth is 90 feet. The range and median depth of wells in individual formations and members are shown in Table 7. The median depths for individual rock units range from 61 to 165 feet.

Depths of wells in most rock units average 20 to 30 feet deeper on hillsides and hilltops than in valleys and draws. The median depths in individual formations and members range from 50 to 85 feet for wells drilled in valleys and draws, and from 70 to 150 feet for wells drilled on hillsides and hilltops.

About 85 percent of the wells for which depth data are available were drilled for domestic, farm, or other low-yield requirements, for which yields of 5 to 10 gpm are generally considered adequate. Accordingly, the depths of this group of wells are indicative of the total thickness of saprolite and



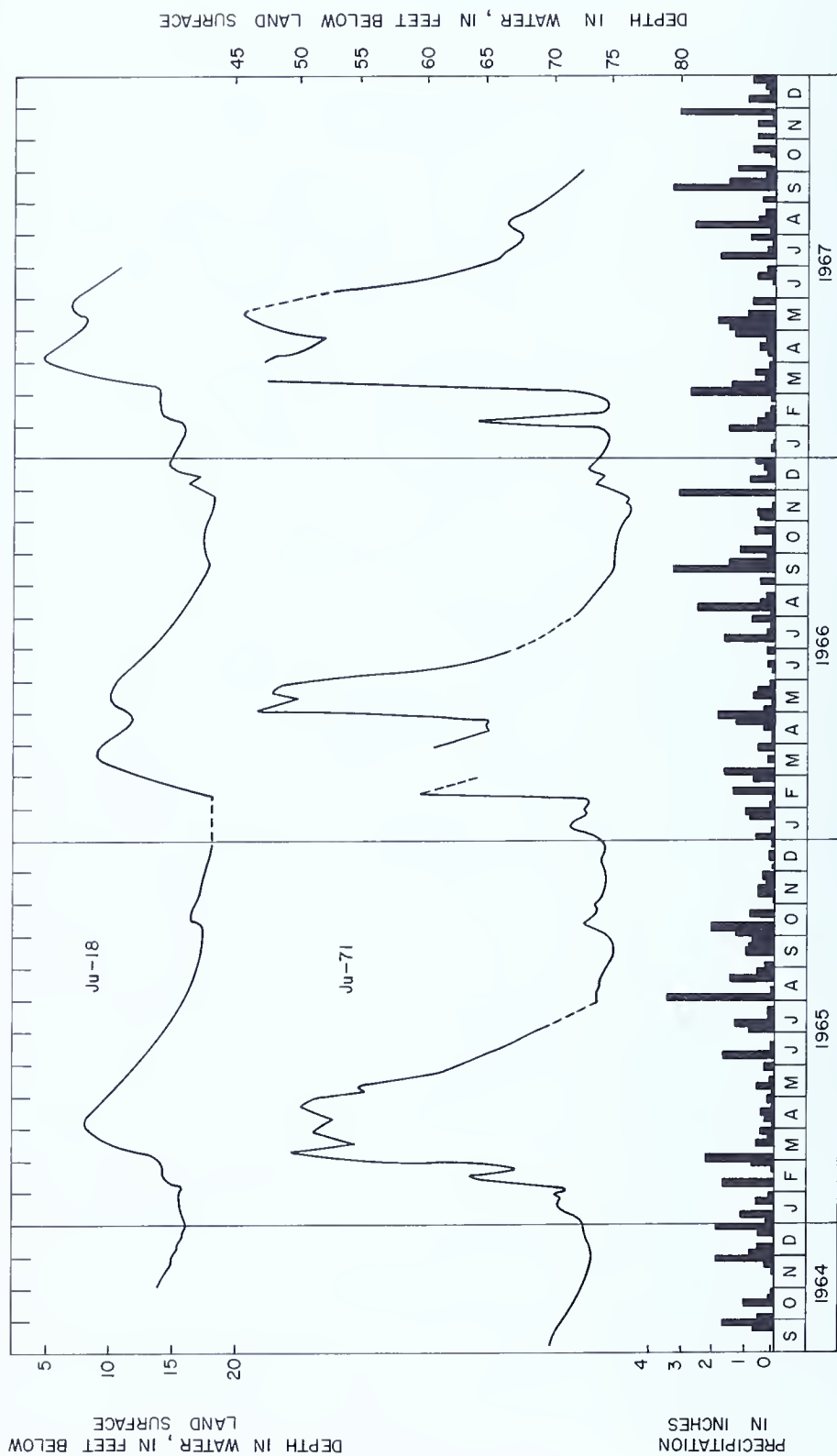


Figure 8. Typical hydrograph for wells on hillsides (Ju-71) and valleys (Ju-18), and precipitation at Newport.



Table 6.—Record of wells

County well number: Wells are recorded consecutively within each of the following counties: Cu, Cumberland; Ju, Juniata; Mt, Mifflin; Pe, Perry; and Sh, Snyder.  
 Location number: See page 5 of the text for explanation of the location number. The first segment of the location number is from 015 to 029 for wells in the Loysville quadrangle and from 030 to 044 for wells in the Mifflintown quadrangle.  
 Topography: HT, hilltop; HS, hillside; D, draw; V, valley bottom.  
 Method of construction: Du, dug; Dr, drilled; Dc, drilled—cable tool; Drr, drilled—air rotary.

Aquifer name: Devonian Period: Dek, Catskill Fm; Dfc, Catskill-Fort Littleton transition beds; Dfm, Fort Littleton Fm; Dr, Rush Fm; Dmh, Mahantango Fm; Ds, Sherman Ridge Fm; Dmo, Montebello Fm; Dnom, Montebello Fm and Mahanoy Mbr of Marcellus Fm undivided; Dmot, Montebello Fm and Mahanoy and Turkey Ridge Mbrs of the Marcellus Fm undivided; Dmm, Marcellus Fm; Dmt, Marcellus Fm, Turkey Ridge Mbr; Dms, Marcellus Fm, Shamokin Mbr; Don, Onondaga Fm; Do, Old Port Fm; Dho, Oriskany and Helderberg Fms undivided; Dor, Oriskany Fm, Ridgeley Mbr; Dhs, Helderberg Fm and Shriver Mbr of Oriskany Fm undivided.  
 Silurian Period: Sk, Keyser Fm; Sto, Tonoloway Fm; Sw, Wells Creek Fm; Sweu, Wells Creek Fm, Upper Mbr; Swl, Wells Creek Fm, Lower Member; Sb, Bloomsburg Fm; Sm, Mifflintown Fm; Smm, Mifflintown Fm, McKenzie and Rochester Mbrs undivided;

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Well number	Location number	Owner	Driller	Date completed	Altitude above sea level (feet)	Topography	Method of construction	Diameter of casing (inches)	Total depth (feet)	Depth to bottom of casing (feet)	Name	Aquifer	Composition	Static water level	Yield (gpm)	Specific capacity (gpm per ft dd)	Specific conductance (microhmhos at 25°C)	Hardness (grains per gal.)	Temperature (°F)	Use
CUMBERLAND COUNTY																				
Cu-150	016-724	Colonel Denning State Park	Kohl Bros.	6-62	820	V	Dr	6	100	42	Om	sh	—	14.2	24	0.75r	370	9	53	It
153	016-716	Sky-Hi Restaurant	David Sunday	—	1,470	HT	Dr	—	250	—	St	—	—	—	6	—	—	—	—	U
154	015-726	J. E. Garman	Carl Bailey	10-62	665	V	Dre	6	70	21	Om	—	—	7.8	15	.36	180	4	52.5	D
155	015-726	Atlantic Pipeline Co.	Kohl Bros.	1937	660	HS	Dre	6	166	—	Om	—	—	19	25	.63	335	8	55	ID, D
156	016-724	Colonel Denning State Park	K. R. Whisler	—	855	V	Dre	6	107	>20	Om	—	—	13.4	30	1.2	190	4	51	It
157	015-726	W. H. McCrea, Jr.	do.	9-46	950	HS	Dre	6	71	16	Om	—	—	18.1	5	.19	295	6	52	U
158	016-725	Colonel Denning State Park	—	—	820	V	Dr	6	91	—	Om	—	—	21.2	—	—	240	5	51	It
160	015-720	John Keller	K. R. Whisler	11-63	660	HS	Dre	6	140	47	Om	sh	—	30	<10	.25r	—	—	—	—
161	015-720	J. C. Barneck	do.	11-63	635	V	Dre	6	85	17	Om	—	—	10	15	1.0r	—	—	—	D

Smk, Mifflintown Fm, Keefer Mbr; Sr, Rose Hill Fm; St, Tuscarora Fm.  
 Ordovician Period: Oj, Juniata Fm; Ob, Bald Eagle Fm; Or, Reedsville Fm; Om, Martinsburg Fm.

Aquifer composition: Predominant rock type reported by driller, Ch, chert; ls, limestone; sh, shale; slts, siltstone; ss, sandstone.

Static water level: +, above land surface (flowing). Reported depths are given in feet; measured depths are given in feet and tenths.

Yield: Yields for most domestic and agricultural wells were reported by the driller and are based generally on tests of less than 1-hour's duration.

Specific capacity: Values are largely for tests of short duration (1-hour or less) made at pumping rates of 3 to 25 gpm; r, values are based on data reported by driller from bailer tests of short duration (generally less than 1-hour), and on data from a few controlled pumping tests.

Use: A, agricultural; C, commercial; D, domestic; Id, industrial; It, institutional; O, observation; P, public supply; T, test; U, unused; X, destroyed.

Remarks: CA, laboratory chemical analysis; Fer, iron reported in water in bothersome or noticeable amounts; H<sub>2</sub>S, odor of hydrogen sulfide gas present; Ll, lithologic log in table 3; YZ, depth of yielding zone in feet.

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Cu-150	016-724	Colonel Denning State Park	Kohl Bros.	6-62	820	V	Dr	6	100	42	Om	sh	—	14.2	24	0.75r	370	9	53	It	CA
153	016-716	Sky-Hi Restaurant	David Sunday	—	1,470	HT	Dr	—	250	—	St	—	—	—	6	—	—	—	—	U	—
154	015-726	J. E. Garman	Carl Bailey	10-62	665	V	Dre	6	70	21	Om	—	—	7.8	15	.36	180	4	52.5	D	0.73 mg/l iron
155	015-726	Atlantic Pipeline Co.	Kohl Bros.	1937	660	HS	Dre	6	166	—	Om	—	—	19	25	.63	335	8	55	ID, D	CA; 0.10 mg/l iron
156	016-724	Colonel Denning State Park	K. R. Whisler	—	855	V	Dre	6	107	>20	Om	—	—	13.4	30	1.2	190	4	51	It	0.48 mg/l iron
157	015-726	W. H. McCrea, Jr.	do.	9-46	950	HS	Dre	6	71	16	Om	—	—	18.1	5	.19	295	6	52	U	—
158	016-725	Colonel Denning State Park	—	—	820	V	Dr	6	91	—	Om	—	—	21.2	—	—	240	5	51	It	—
160	015-720	John Keller	K. R. Whisler	11-63	660	HS	Dre	6	140	47	Om	sh	—	30	<10	.25r	—	—	—	—	—
161	015-720	J. C. Barneck	do.	11-63	635	V	Dre	6	85	17	Om	—	—	10	15	1.0r	—	—	—	D	—



16	030-722	Camenson M. B. Grominger	—	520	HT	Dr	6	35	30	K	—	55±	—	<5	—	1,050	—	D
17	032-723	Breyer-Ice Cream Co.	H. K. Hornberger	440	V	Dr	8	263	57	Swu	sh,ls	29	—	85	1.1	—	—	X
18	032-723	do.	Stewart	440	V	Dr	8	454	18	Swu	sh	18.2	10-64	10	.14	2,100	54	O
19	032-724	William Iceburg	—	440	V	Dr	6	94	15	Sr	—	26±	—	—	—	—	—	D
20	033-725	Guy Stuart	—	480	V	Dr	6	96	28	Sto	—	38±	—	—	—	—	—	D
22	031-720	Supplee-Wills Jones Milk Co.	—	440	V	Dr	8	85	43	Swu	—	39±	—	80	—	—	—	X
23	031-720	G. W. Leister	—	460	V	Dr	6	75	14	Swu	—	35±	—	—	—	—	—	D
25	033-716	Maynard Penicle	A. B. Walker	475	V	Dr	6	60	—	Sto	—	3±	—	—	—	—	—	D
26	033-716	G. B. Wert	—	560	HS	Dr	6	51	40	Dmt	—	40.6	8-65	—	—	—	—	U
27	032-717	A. B. Meyer	—	510	V	Dr	6	95	72	Sto	sh	45±	—	6	—	—	—	D
28	032-718	R. R. Hackenberger	—	490	V	Dr	6	100	20	Sto	—	70±	—	—	—	—	—	D
29	034-719	J. E. Davis	—	540	HS	Dr	6	137	—	Swl	sh	79±	—	—	—	—	—	D
31	033-720	W. A. Davis	—	460	V	Dr	6	50	28	Sb	sh	2.5	8-34	—	—	—	—	X
32	032-721	Earl Hack	C. B. Freed	430	V	Dr	6	47	19	Dmm	—	3±	—	4	—	—	—	D
33	032-721	R. D. Henderson	—	510	V	Dr	6	100	42	Sw ls,sh	—	52±	—	—	—	—	—	D.A
34	032-722	Samuel Bashore	—	560	HT	Dr	6	121	21	Sw sh	—	69±	—	—	—	—	—	D
65	029-729	David Hackenberry	—	530	V	Dr	6	61	8	Sto ls	—	15±	—	—	—	—	—	D
66	029-728	W. S. Burd	—	530	V	Dr	6	20	—	Swu sh	—	10±	—	—	—	—	—	A
68	027-729	Thomas Hackenberry	—	590	V	Dr	6	58	12	Swl	sh	10±	—	—	—	—	—	D
71	038-717	McAlsterville Water Co.	—	730	HS	Dr	8	472	—	Sm,Sr	—	69.5	7-65	12	.11	180	3	O
72	038-716	do.	J. M. Hubler	650	V	Dr	8	210	17	Swu ls	—	11	—	80	1.25r	—	—	P
73	038-716	do.	J. M. Hubler Kohl Bros.	660	V	Dr	8	504	—	Sto,	—	15	7-39	75	.5r	—	—	P
74	030-722	Port Royal Municipi- pal Authority	—	672	HS	Dr	6	122	28	Swl	—	—	—	30	—	—	—	P
75	030-722	do.	—	1910	HS	Dr	6	92	60	Swl	—	6.0	—	50+	3.86	165	4	51
76	030-722	do.	—	7-55	HS	Dr	6	62	50	Swl	—	—	—	15	—	—	—	P
83	032-721	Earl Hack	Hubler	1934	V	Dr	6	50	22	Dmm	—	38	—	—	—	—	—	D
84	032-721	W. E. Taylor	W. E. Hubler	10-63	V	Drr	6	65	28	Dms	—	18	10-63	—	—	—	—	D
86	032-721	P. C. Willard	do.	9-64	V	Drr	6	110	30	Dmt sh	—	21.0	9-64	10	.23	325	6	54
87	032-721	H. E. Hack	J. M. Hubler	5-50	V	Drc	6	45	20	Dmt ss,sh	—	8	5-50	7	—	—	—	D
88	032-721	T. H. Henry	do.	12-39	V	Drc	6	76	34	Dms sh	—	26	12-39	—	—	—	—	D
90	032-719	Kelpers Esso Station	W. E. Hubler	1961	HS	Dr	6	175	25	Sto ls,sh	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	D
91	032-720	Walker Township School	do.	530	HS	Dr	6	205	—	Sto	—	—	—	12	—	—	—	It
94	033-715	Thompsonstown Holding Co.	J. M. Hubler	5-53	HS	Drc	6	135	62	Sto	—	40	5-53	14	.7r	—	—	Id
95	036-718	J. F. Schillingford & Son	Hubler	1946	V	Dr	6	55	—	Smm	—	6.2	10-64	—	—	—	—	C
96	029-722	Port Royal Municipi- pal Authority	W. E. Hubler	11-03	HS	Drr	6	248	—	Sb	—	31.3	6-05	16	.69	230	5	49
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																		CA

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										Name	Composition	Depth below land surface (ft)	Date measured			Specific conductance (micromhos at 25° C)	Hardness (grains per gal.)	Temperature (°F)	
97	029-722	do.	—	745	HS	Drc	6	225	—	Sb	—	30.2	6-65	16	.57	260	5	49	P
100	033-723	St. Jude R. C. Church	8-58	530	HS	Drc	6	303	46	Sw	sh	78	8-58	20	—	—	—	—	lt
101	033-723	J. M. Hubler	7-59	570	HS	Drc	6	120	70	Sb	sh	40	7-59	15	—	265	8	—	C
102	033-723	C. D. Zimmerman	4-59	580	HS	Drc	8	137	40	Sb	sh	37	4-59	16	.8r	230	6	—	C
103	036-724	Mifflintown Airport	5-46	570	HS	Drc	6	145	28	Sto	ls	105	5-46	—	—	—	—	—	X
104	032-720	WJUN Radio Station	7-55	480	HS	Drc	6	114	31	Sto	—	24	7-55	8	—	—	—	—	D
105	041-716	Lost Creek Rod and Gun Club	10-64	1,650	HS	Drr	10	1,650	1,514	Or	sh	<70	10-64	30	—	—	—	—	T
108	037-722	Lloyd Harding	5-64	800	HS	Drc	6	120	58	Sw	—	69.2	5-64	10	—	290	8	—	D
110	039-715	Arthur Eard	7-58	790	HS	Drc	6	75	31	Sm	sh, ls	27	7-58	—	—	325	9	—	D
118	035-718	Glen Stoner	3-64	765	HS	Drr	6	297	202	Dor,	ls	—	—	8	—	120	5	—	D
130	033-722	D. E. Smith	7-51	518	HS	Drc	6	67	34	Sb	sh	15	7-51	—	—	—	1	—	D
131	033-723	W. F. Piper	3-56	590	HT	Drc	5	213	40	Sw	sh	133	3-56	14	—	590	16	—	D
132	034-723	Max Manbeck	8-41	670	HT	Drc	5	205	22	Smk,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
133	035-722	Tobe Auker	5-50	600	HS	Drc	5	46	12	Sr	sh, ss	41	8-41	7	—	—	—	—	C
134	035-722	do.	12-48	600	HS	Drc	5	60	16	Sm	ss	+	—	—	—	—	—	—	D
135	033-723	Kenneth Bardell	2-54	560	HS	Drc	5	115	53	Sw	ss	12	12-48	5	—	—	—	—	D
136	033-724	John Tetwiler	8-39	570	HS	Drc	5	82	28	Sum	sh, ls,	65	2-54	3	—	85	2	—	D, C
137	034-723	Max Manbeck	6-56	670	HT	Drc	6	315	18	Smk,	ss	21	8-39	5±	—	—	—	—	D
138	034-723	Larve Moist	7-57	470	HS	Drc	6	86	17	Sr	sh, ss	135	6-56	5	—	—	—	—	U
139	034-723	W. E. Hubler	6-65	670	HT	Drr	6	370	21	Smk,	ls	21	7-57	5	—	840	27	—	D
140	029-727	H. S. Naylor	5-42	490	HS	Drc	5	160	10	Sr	sh, ss	—	—	<1	—	510	4	—	U
141	030-726	Graham Robinson	10-40	510	HS	Drc	6	100	10	Sk	ls	48.9	8-65	15	—	825	28	—	D
142	032-722	H. D. Renninger and Son	4-41	560	HS	Drc	5	225	17	Sw	sh, ls	60	10-40	5	—	650	18	—	D
		do.								ss			4-41	—	—	—	—	—	C





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											Name	Composition	Depth below land surface (feet)	Date measured			Specific conductance (micromhos at 25°C)	Hardness (grains per gal.)	Temperature (°F)	
191	032-718	Centre Lutheran Church	do.	11-40	490	V	Dre	6	61	56	Sto	sh	51	11-40	—	—	—	—	—	—
192	033-718	Minnie Leonard	do.	10-60	655	HS	Drr	6	70	22	Dmm	sh	20	10-60	20	300	6	—	—	lt
193	032-718	J. Zeigler	do.	4-63	500	V	Dre	6	68	24	Sk	sh	24	4-63	20	—	—	—	—	D
194	033-718	Charles Colyer	do.	5-64	655	HS	Dre	6	86	5	Dmh	sh	26	5-64	10	340	8	—	—	D
195	032-717	Blair Detra	do.	12-50	485	V	Dre	6	91	63	Sto	sh	46	12-50	8	—	—	—	—	D
196	032-721	E. T. Bishop	do.	12-39	450	V	Dre	6	60	36	Sw	sh	19	12-39	10	—	—	—	—	A,D
197	032-721	S. M. Rhine	do.	8-52	480	HS	Dre	6	128	34	Dmt	sh	28	8-52	7	—	—	—	—	D
198	031-719	Charles Rowe	do.	8-50	430	V	Dre	6	77	64	Sto	sh	37	8-50	6	—	—	—	—	U
199	032-720	John Fleisher	do.	7-58	445	V	Dre	5	86	46	Don,	ss,sh	36	7-58	—	235	5	—	—	D
200	032-721	James Fill	do.	2-44	430	HS	Dre	5	65	23	Dm	sh	15	2-44	8	360	9	—	—	Fer
201	032-721	Ronald Bell	do.	1947	440	V	Dre	6	72	—	Sk	—	18.9	8-65	<5	<.1r	—	—	—	D
203	032-721	R. F. Hock	do.	2-42	450	V	Dre	5	70	36	Sto	sh	14	2-42	15	—	—	—	—	D
204	032-719	Donald Hower	do.	9-56	560	HS	Dre	6	161	—	Sto	sh	61	9-56	1	—	—	—	—	D
205	033-721	Janet Long	do.	4-64	440	V	Dre	6	70	41	Sb	sh	10	4-64	10	—	—	—	—	D
206	032-721	Ronald Bell	do.	3-47	440	V	Dre	6	59	26	Sk	sh	17.7	8-65	<10	.4	—	—	—	D
207	032-721	Thomas Cassett	do.	2-47	455	HS	Dre	5	70	28	Dm	sh	12	2-47	10	—	—	—	—	D
208	033-720	William N. Davis	do.	9-55	460	V	Dre	6	45	42	Sto	—	17	9-55	12	55	2	—	—	D
209	032-721	Bernheisel	do.	4-54	490	HS	Dre	5	92	77	Do	—	57	4-54	12	—	—	—	—	D
210	032-721	Richard Jones	do.	3-42	440	V	Dre	5	43	34	Do	ss	13	3-42	5	—	—	—	—	D
211	032-721	L. B. Hossler	do.	9-54	450	V	Dre	6	48	33	Dm	—	20	9-54	16	—	—	—	—	D
212	032-721	J. N. Orwig	do.	3-64	490	HS	Drr	6	124	70	Sto	sh	64	3-64	11	310	9	—	—	D
213	032-720	Jerard Zook	do.	7-63	430	HS	Drr	6	72	19	Dmt	sh	7	7-63	2	360	11	—	—	D
214	032-721	Mrs. Mary Arnold	do.	3-47	425	V	Dre	5	60	30	Dms	sh	26.4	8-65	—	280	8	—	—	D
215	032-721	J. R. McBurney	do.	9-59	440	V	Drr	6	85	31	Dm	sh	20	9-59	5	—	—	—	—	D
216	032-721	R. T. Hubert	W. E. Hubler	11-63	440	V	Drr	6	57	23	Sto	ls	12	11-63	>10	—	—	—	—	D
217	038-715	E. C. Schell	J. M. Hubler	8-55	710	V	Dre	5	64	23	Sto	sh	18	8-55	25	170	5	—	—	D
218	038-717	Levi Spade	do.	9-63	725	V	Drr	6	82	—	Sr	sh	19	9-63	10	.3	—	—	—	D
220	038-717	E. F. Hildebrand	do.	10-51	660	V	Dre	6	82	15	Sb	sh	6	10-51	12	240	7	—	—	D
221	038-715	Norman Master	do.	6-64	680	V	Dre	6	76	25	Sto	sh	21	6-64	15	380	9	—	—	D
222	038-717	Keith Naylor	do.	6-59	660	V	Drr	6	85	18	Sw	sh	20	6-59	15	—	—	—	—	D
223	034-717	C. C. Ush	do.	5-52	565	V	Dre	5	51	20	Sw	sh	8.0	8-65	12	330	12	—	—	D
224	037-717	J. S. G. Thompson	do.	1965	640	V	Dre	6	73	—	Swu	—	25.4	7-65	50	6.1	16	—	—	D
225	037-717	do.	—	—	640	V	Du	36	25.3	—	Swu	—	23.6	7-65	—	710	22	—	—	D
229	035-716	Noah Peachy	J. M. Hubler	5-61	660	HS	Drr	6	90	53	Sto	ls	30	5-61	15	—	—	—	—	A,D
230	033-715	M. R. Leach	do.	3-60	490	V	Drr	6	70	50	Sto	—	35	3-60	10	240	8	—	—	D

Very hard rock



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Table 6.—Record of wells—Continued

Well number	Location number	Owner	Driller	Date completed	Altitude above sea level (feet)	Topography	Method of construction	Diameter of casing (inches)	Total depth (feet)	Depth to bottom of casing (feet)	Aquifer		Static water level		Yield (gpm)	Specific capacity (gpm per ft dd)	Field measurements of water quality			Remarks
											Name	Composition	Depth below land surface (feet)	Date measured			Specific conductance at 25°C (micromhos)	Hardness (grains per gallon)	Temperature (°F)	
MIFFLIN COUNTY																				
Mf- 54	042-724	Elder Will	G R. Zechman	8-58	765	HS	Dr	6	86	32	Dmt	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	CA YZ: 63, 80
55	040-723	Arthur Walters	C. B. Freed	—	730	HS	Dr	6	167	140	Do ss,ls	127±	—	—	—	—	260	2	—	D
56	040-723	Deliah Knepp	—	1935	670	V	Dr	6	100	60	Don ss,ls	70±	—	—	5	—	—	—	—	U 60: ft of loose ss cased out.
58	039-727	Ralph Stirrett	—	—	565	V	Dr	6	34	15	Dmm sh	6±	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	D
75	039-728	Max Fisher	Freed and Bell	11-62	670	HS	Drc	6	90	45	Dmm sh	23	11-62	—	7	.1r	—	—	—	D
76	039-725	? Carter	do.	3-60	600	HS	Drc	6	75	57	Sls	31	3-60	—	7	.2r	—	—	—	D
Mf- 77	040-724	Claire Boreman	do.	4-60	595	V	Drc	6	54	44	Sk ls	27	4-60	—	8	0.3r	215	6	—	D
78	041-727	Donald Collins	do.	5-60	690	HS	Drc	6	90	35	Dms	sh	24	5-60	6	<.1r	—	—	—	D YZ: 37, 55, 62, 84
79	039-727	D. E. Horner	do.	8-60	630	HS	Drc	6	80	30	Dmt ss,sh	28	8-60	7	.15r	—	—	—	—	D YZ: 35, 64, 72
80	039-727	Jess Yeater	do.	12-60	590	V	Drc	6	65	22	Dmm sh	15	12-60	>20	—	.7r	—	—	—	D YZ: 34, 60
82	039-727	? Rosenberry	do.	12-60	590	V	Drc	6	50±	—	Dmm sh	22	12-60	>20	2r	—	—	—	—	D YZ: 42
83	039-728	Calvin Bargo	do.	8-60	655	HS	Drc	6	80	29	Dmm sh	16	8-60	7	.1r	230	5	—	—	D YZ: 35, 66, 75
84	039-727	William Koonitz	do.	1-61	695	HS	Drc	6	60	33	Dmm sh	18	1-61	7	.2r	—	—	—	—	D
85	039-728	Richard Ritter	do.	10-64	640	HS	Drc	6	95	50	Dmm sh	20	10-64	20±	.4r	—	—	—	—	D YZ: 85
87	038-728	Lewis Snyder	do.	6-64	600	HS	Drc	6	70	57	Sls	35.9	9-65	>20	2r	260	6	—	—	D YZ: 62, 65
88	039-728	Albert Brower	do.	10-64	630	HS	Drc	6	100	63	Dmm	—	15	10-64	>20	1.3r	—	—	—	D YZ: 80, 95
93	039-728	D. Wray	do.	11-63	780	HS	Drc	6	170	144	Do ss,ls	60	11-63	10	—	240	6	—	—	D YZ: 150, 165
95	039-727	Harry Durst	do.	6-62	630	HS	Drc	6	82	53	Dmm sh	14	6-62	>20	1.2r	230	6	—	—	D YZ: 70
96	038-729	D. L. Shilling	do.	4-62	630	HS	Drc	6	100	42	Dmt sh	25.1	9-65	>10	.1r	260	6	—	—	D YZ: 60, 88, 95
101	042-725	Marling Henry	do.	9-61	780	HS	Drc	6	120	35	Don.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	D YZ: 40, 85, 110
102	040-725	Robert Davis	do.	9-61	610	V	Drc	6	90	33	Dmm sh	30	9-61	10	.1r	—	—	—	—	D YZ: 75
105	041-727	Donald Loht	do.	2-65	660	HS	Drc	6	95	68	Dms sh	87	11-65	>20	1.3r	—	—	53	—	D YZ: 91
106	039-729	J. R. Goss	do.	8-62	655	V	Drc	6	225	102	Sls	70	8-62	20	1.0r	550	15	—	—	D, A CA, YZ: 150, 193, 215
107	041-727	Donald Loht	do.	4-65	660	V	Drc	6	125	33	Don	sh	5	4-65	20±	.8r	—	—	—	D YZ: 120
109	041-722	H. E. Kline	do.	3-65	780	HS	Drc	6	240	225	Do	sh	168	3-65	20±	.7r	170	5	—	D YZ: 235
110	038-726	? Noerr	do.	9-62	622	HS	Drc	6	130	78	Sw	—	30	9-62	20±	.6r	—	—	—	D YZ: 90, 118
111	040-726	Lee Willt	do.	6-62	660	V	Drc	6	50	27	Dmm sh	1	6-62	7	.15r	230	5	—	—	D YZ: 46
112	040-725	Norman Shawver	do.	6-62	598	V	Drc	6	105	25	Dmm sh	40	6-62	7	.1r	270	7	—	—	D YZ: 55, 100

113	042-724	Thomas Wray	do.	1-63	720	HS	Drc	6	110	52	Dmt	sh	28	1-63	20±	.6r	—	—	D	YZ: 61, 69, 90
114	040-725	East Derry Sports- man's Assoc.	do.	3-63	745	D	Drc	6	140	52	Dmh	sh	60	3-63	20±	1.0r	—	—	It	YZ: 68, 132
115	041-725	J. W. Rupe	do.	4-63	640	V	Drc	6	50	—	Dmh	sh	42	4-63	10	1.0r	—	—	D	—
116	039-726	Irving Paige	do.	5-63	600	HS	Drc	6	150	62	Sto	ls	68	5-63	7	.1r	—	—	D	YZ: 72, 92, 132
117	040-725	Charles Marker, Jr.	do.	6-63	600	HS	Drc	6	75	28	Dmm	sh	42	6-63	20±	1.4r	—	—	D	YZ: 35, 50
119	039-726	Marlin Aured	do.	12-64	723	HS	Drc	6	90	11	Dmt	ss	20	12-64	3	<.1r	—	—	D	YZ: 30
121	040-725	Dallas Briminger	do.	10-64	635	HS	Drc	6	140	27	Dmm	sh	35	10-64	6	.1r	—	—	D	—
122	039-727	Wilbur Boremand	do.	9-64	580	V	Drc	6	110	27	Dmm	sh	20	9-64	5	<.1r	215	5	D	YZ: 100
123	040-725	Thomas Deamer	do.	8-64	660	HS	Drc	6	150	27	Dmh	sh	40	8-64	7	<.1r	365	7	D	Per, YZ: 90, 125
124	041-720	Ed Hunter	do.	6-64	730	V	Drc	6	199	22	St.	ls	30	6-64	3	<.1r	—	—	D	YZ: 175
125	042-723	Palmer Snook	do.	6-64	723	HS	Drc	6	70	23	Dmh	sh	24.5	11-65	>20	1.3r	140	3	D	YZ: 30, 40, 55, 60
126	041-724	George Kline	do.	5-64	720	HS	Drc	6	170	37	Dmh	sh	50	5-64	10	.1r	—	—	D	YZ: 150, 170
127	039-727	Charles Kenepp	do.	11-63	605	HS	Drc	6	100	41	Dmm	sh	35	11-63	>20	1.3r	—	—	D	YZ: 55, 78, 90
128	041-720	J. E. Hunter	do.	10-63	775	HS	Drc	6	145	35	Sk	—	45	10-63	7	0.1r	—	—	D	YZ: 40, 80, 135
130	042-723	Kenneth Mowery	do.	10-63	695	HS	Drc	6	155	44	Dmh	sh	30	10-63	>20	1.0r	215	4	D	YZ: 88, 145
131	041-724	Neta Spigelmyer	do.	7-63	610	V	Drc	6	65	25	Dmh	sh	36	7-63	>20	1.7r	250	5	D	For
132	040-726	Foster Smith	do.	6-63	710	HS	Drc	6	125	66	Dmh	sh	28	6-63	20±	.7r	220	5	D	YZ: 81, 110, 119
133	043-723	S. C. Olmick	M. H. Romig	7-59	790	HS	Drc	6	64	20	Dmh	sh	20	7-59	>10	1.0r	—	—	D	YZ: 30, 60
134	042-722	Samuels U.C. C.	do.	3-62	660	V	Drc	6	90	33	Dmh	sh	32.0	9-65	20	1.04	240	2	It	CA, H <sub>2</sub> S
135	041-721	J. H. McKnight	do.	9-60	740	V	Drc	6	65	31	Sto	ls	18	9-60	—	—	—	—	D	YZ: 70
136	041-723	Bruce Goss	do.	1962	680	HS	Drc	6	105	14	Dmh	sh	>25	1962	—	—	210	5	D	YZ: 35, 60
137	041-723	Larry Marks	do.	7-61	695	HS	Drc	6	103	52	Dmh	sh	—	—	—	—	110	3	D	—
138	040-724	H. L. Sellers	do.	1961	710	HS	Drc	6	114	63	Do	ss, ch	32	1961	—	—	—	—	D	—
139	042-723	Palmer Snook	do.	3-62	725	HS	Drc	6	59	21	Dmh	sh	12	3-62	—	—	190	4	D	YZ: 100, Gets
140	042-722	C. E. Sherriff, Jr.	do.	12-60	670	V	Drc	6	50	22	Dmh	sh	6	9-65	>10	—	—	—	D	cloudy
141	040-725	Charles Jones	do.	7-60	620	HS	Drc	6	80	24	Dmm	sh	9	7-60	10±	.5r	—	—	A, D	YZ: 12, 55
151	043-728	Reeds Gap State Park	L. C. Glad- felter	5-53	800	HS	Drc	6	38	34	Or	sh	22	5-53	15	.8r	—	—	It	YZ: 40, 70
152	043-728	do.	F. L. Bollinger	12-65	812	V	Drc	8	250	69	Or	sh	25.6	12-65	50	.52	160	6	It	HS, YZ: 35
153	043-728	do.	L. C. Glad- felter	5-53	830	V	Drc	6	65	45	Or	sh	21.0	12-65	6	.25r	—	—	It	CA, H <sub>2</sub> S
154	043-728	do.	do.	5-53	820	V	Drc	6	56	28	Or	—	11	5-53	10	.5r	—	—	It	YZ: 65
155	043-728	do.	do.	5-59	800	V	Drc	6	40	27	Or	—	4.9	12-65	10	.6r	230	6	It	YZ: 56
156	038-728	Harry Knepp	J. M. Hubler	7-60	580	V	Drr	6	80	21	Sto	ls	35	7-60	5	—	590	15	D	YZ: 40
157	039-725	Ray Goss	do.	5-59	563	V	Drr	6	70	42	Sto	sh	5	5-59	12	—	—	—	D	—
159	038-727	Albert Lepley	do.	1-62	575	V	Drc	6	121	>74	Sto	ls	25	1-62	5	—	365	10	D	—
165	041-726	C. R. Freed	do.	10-59	765	HS	Drr	6	134	56	Do	ch, ls	54	10-59	—	—	—	—	D	YZ: 74, 120
166	042-726	George Gesselman	do.	4-42	780	HS	Drc	5	87	27	Don	ls	50	4-42	7	—	—	—	D	Very hard rock
167	042-726	Fred Sherwood	do.	4-42	800	HS	Drc	—	98	85	Do	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	D	—
168	039-727	Guy Spigelmyer	do.	12-59	575	V	Drr	6	125	42	Dmm	sh	—	—	0	—	—	—	X	No water. No solid bedrock.
169	040-727	E. H. Flood	do.	7-61	600	V	Drr	6	52	42	Dmh	sh	12	7-61	1	—	—	—	D	—
170	040-727	do.	do.	10-64	595	V	Drc	6	55	27	Dmh	sh	25	10-64	20	—	140	3	D	For
171	040-727	William Lepley	do.	8-59	590	V	Drr	6	80	42	Dmh	sh	40	8-59	5	—	280	6	D	Strong H <sub>2</sub> S; Fer

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											Name	Composition	Depth below land surface (ft)	Date measured			Specific conductance (microhos at 25° C)	Hardness grains per gal.)	Temperature (°F)	
172	041-727	L. S. Parsons	do.	12-59	665	HS	Drr	6	85	31	Dms	sh	5	12-59 16.8	4	—	435	11	—	Strong H <sub>2</sub> S; Fer
176	040-725	Ralph Grabbe	do.	10-61	600	V	Dre	5	92	21	Dmm	sh	+	10-61	7	—	—	—	—	—
177	042-721	J. B. Hostetler	do.	2-60	645	V	Drr	6	85	20	Dmh	sh	25	2-60	5	—	—	—	—	—
180	041-723	Bruce Goss	Freed and Bell	5-61	665	HS	Dre	6	100	54	Dmo	sh	30.9	9-65	25	1.0	140	4	52	YZ: 68, 77, 92
181	041-724	J. E. Wike	G. R. Zechman	3-65	725	HT	Drr	6	147	22	Dmh	—	42	7-65	5	—	260	7	—	—
182	039-726	Earl Wilson	do.	1963	590	HS	Dr	6	73	—	Sto	—	13.2	9-65	—	—	—	—	—	—
183	040-724	G. K. Wagner	do.	9-56	755	HS	Dre	6	243	180	Sk	ls	140	9-56	5	—	330	9	—	Mud and sand filled seams above 180 ft.
184	040-723	do.	do.	8-58	715	HS	Dcr	6	142	130	Do	sh	30	8-58	10	—	65	2	—	YZ: 90, 135
185	042-726	Fred Sherwood	—	1947	800	HS	Dre	6	102	50	Don	—	88	1947	—	—	485	9	—	—
186	041-727	R. E. Wagner	M. H. Romig	1959	720	HS	Dre	6	110	110	Do	ss	42.2	11-65	<5	—	110	3	—	Fer, pumps sand
198	043-721	S. H. Yetter	Freed and Bell	8-65	775	HS	Dre	6	70	28	Dmh	sh	20	8-65	15	.5r	—	—	—	YZ: 42, 58
199	042-726	Fred Sherwood	—	—	800	HS	Du	40	31	—	Don	—	28.4	11-65	—	—	—	—	—	—
200	040-723	Norman Hower	G. R. Zechman	12-65	705	HS	Drr	6	243	207	Do	ss, sh, ls	122	3-66	10	.3	—	—	—	—
201	041-727	R. W. Wagner	do.	3-66	720	HS	Drr	6	197	167	Do	ss, ls	65	3-66	30	—	210	5	—	YZ: 160, 190
214	040-725	Russell Coates	Freed and Bell	6-65	597	V	Dre	6	110	39	Dmm	sh	5.5	3-66	20	.90	340	11	52	CA, H <sub>2</sub> S YZ: 40, 90
219	041-726	Wesley Wiser	W. E. Hubler	11-65	750	HS	Drr	6	61	58	Do	—	38.4	3-66	10	.59	87	2	52	—
223	040-725	Orville Snook	Freed and Bell	10-65	615	V	Dre	6	80	41	Dmm	sh	13.2	10-65	20	.6r	—	—	—	YZ: 67
229	039-726	Willis Jury	W. E. Hubler	1960	600	V	Dr	6	61	—	Sto	—	5.4	4-66	40	2.6	210	7	—	—
PERRY COUNTY																				
Pe-45	023-718	Josiah Dunn	—	—	840	HS	Dr	6	127	50	Dhs	—	—	—	10	—	—	—	—	—
50	027-718	Thomas Nelson	? Walker	—	565	V	Dr	6	50	14	Df	—	1	—	20	1.0r	220	5	—	H <sub>2</sub> S
52	023-725	E. M. Dobbs	—	—	700	V	Dr	6	35	24	Dms	sh	13	—	10±	—	—	—	—	—
53	022-724	H. F. Beck	—	—	620	V	Dr	6	42	30	Don	—	—	—	>12	—	—	—	—	—
54	019-729	Luke Flickinger	—	—	685	V	Dr	6	51	7	Smk	ss	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
55	021-729	Stambaugh Bros.	—	—	860	HS	Dr	6	150	17	Sto	—	—	—	1±	—	—	—	—	—
56	018-719	M. W. Morrison	? Hornberger	1931	685	HS	Dre	6	85	45	Sb	—	20	1931	15	—	160	4	—	—
58	020-718	G. K. Morrison	—	—	575	HS	Dr	6	112	67	S <sub>wl</sub>	sh	20±	—	12	—	590	16	—	—
59	021-718	M. H. Yohn	—	—	710	HS	Dr	6	128	90	Sto	—	90	—	7	—	350	9	—	—



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											Name	Composition	Depth below land surface (feet)			Specific conductance (microhms at 25°C)	Hardness (grains per gal.)	Temperature (°F)	Use
124	019-716	Clair Camp	do.	4-63	560	HS	Drc	6	162	38	Sb	ss	21	13	.16r	210	5	—	YZ: 75, 162
126	021-728	David Harris	do.	11-61	700	V	Drc	6	51	31	Swl	sh	10.1	30	3.0r	550	15	—	YZ: 25, 38, 40
127	022-719	Elwood Hench	do.	11-61	675	HS	Drc	6	131	61	Swl	sh	96	20	2.0r	675	8	—	YZ: 125
128	022-718	John Hench	do.	10-61	575	V	Drc	6	51	19	Sto	ls	12	30	3.8r	—	—	—	YZ: 45
129	019-721	Rev. Johns	do.	6-61	690	HS	Drc	6	152	131	Swl	sh	27	15	.1r	160	5	—	—
130	021-719	G. G. Wilson	do.	6-61	565	V	Drc	6	118	58	Sb	ss	25	8	.1r	280	7	—	YZ: 60, 110
132	021-718	R. D. Linn	do.	3-62	670	HS	Drc	6	38	37	Swu	sh	20	25	6.3r	—	—	—	YZ: 47, 95
133	019-716	Harry Crozer	do.	4-62	515	V	Drc	6	43	20	Sto	ls	16	25	6.3r	630	17	—	YZ: 22, 32
134	021-719	Robert Ernest	do.	5-62	590	HS	Drc	6	101	—	Ssm	—	—	10	—	310	8	—	—
135	023-719	J. W. Myers	do.	5-62	775	HS	Drc	6	32	14	Dmt ss, sh	—	3	15	—	390	9	—	YZ: 18
137	024-720	J. G. Storm	do.	6-62	630	V	Drc	6	45	17	Df sh	+	40	10	1.0r	210	5	—	YZ: 41
138	018-716	William Barkley	do.	6-62	670	HS	Drc	6	175	21	Dmot sh	40	6-62	15	—	430	10	52	YZ: 63, 172
139	020-718	Florence Wertz	do.	7-62	585	HS	Drc	6	100	63	Swl	sh	42	15	1.0r	—	—	—	YZ: 52, 95
140	021-725	James Kuhn	do.	7-62	620	V	Drc	6	62	20	Swl	sh	4	12	—	710	19	53	YZ: 20, 60
141	019-722	Leonard Sheaffer	do.	8-62	665	V	Drc	6	100	63	Sb	sh	10	15	—	230	6	—	YZ: 43, 35
142	020-725	C. N. Shaffer	do.	8-62	660	HS	Drc	6	114	108	Sb	sh	40	25	—	225	6	—	YZ: 3
143	021-717	Raymond Peck	do.	8-60	640	HS	Drc	6	120	64	Dhs	ss	30	25	2.5r	—	—	—	YZ: 64, 115; filled w/coarse stone below 64 ft.
144	021-720	Joseph Morrow	do.	7-60	610	HS	Drc	6	76	63	Swl	sh	53	15	.8r	—	—	—	YZ: 74
145	020-717	R. N. Wilt	do.	6-60	565	V	Drc	6	86	44	Swu	sh, ls	17.8	25	.7r	400	11	—	CA; YZ: 120, 86;
146	020-717	Carl Bolze	do.	6-60	580	V	Drc	6	75	50	Sto	sh, ls	16.1	40	2.15	470	13	51	CA YZ: 65
147	018-716	Gene Womer	do.	5-60	540	V	Drc	6	51	27	Slk	—	9	30	3.0r	300	8	—	YZ: 35, 48
148	022-720	M. R. Emmett	do.	5-60	660	HS	Drc	6	100	55	Swl	sh	60	7	1.3r	265	8	—	YZ: 96
149	024-720	R. K. Weller	do.	4-60	640	V	Drc	6	57	19	Df sh	+	40	7	1.0r	—	—	—	YZ: 24, 56
150	024-720	? Isenburg	do.	4-60	650	HS	Drc	6	59	18	Ds	sh	42	8	1.0r	—	—	—	YZ: 15, 57
152	020-718	Mack Wilt	do.	1-60	590	HS	Drc	6	102	37	Sw	sh	42	8	—	—	—	—	YZ: 70, 85
153	020-717	Frank Lyon	do.	12-59	645	HS	Drc	6	130	45	Swu	sh	72.0	15	0.3r	550	13	—	YZ: 103, 127
154	023-717	S. L. Henry	do.	8-59	730	HS	Drc	6	130	100	Sto	sh, ss	65	15	1.5r	—	—	—	YZ: 79, 128
155	019-722	Donald Lightner	do.	7-59	700	HS	Drc	6	98	40	Sb	sh, ss	37	2.5	—	70	1	—	YZ: 70
156	020-720	Neal Lightner	do.	7-59	535	V	Drc	6	62	38	Sto	sh	19	15	0.5r	380	39	—	YZ: 58
157	019-727	John Harris	do.	7-59	680	HS	Drc	6	86	36	Sb	sh, ss	20	8	0.12r	215	4	—	YZ: 34, 81
158	020-718	Donald Bender	do.	6-59	550	HS	Drc	6	72	50	Swu	sh	13	8	—	—	—	—	YZ: 37, 70
159	023-723	Harry Keller	do.	6-59	750	HS	Drc	6	75	20	Dmo	ss	40	12	0.4r	310	5	52	YZ: 75
160	020-718	Charles Eaton	do.	6-59	590	HS	Drc	6	110	59	Swl	sh	62	15	1.2r	—	—	—	YZ: 90, 105



161	020-718	Melvin Sweger	do.	5-59	650	HS	Dre	6	160	82	Swu	sh	60	5-59	6	<0.1r	510	17	—	D	YZ: 92, 130, 150
162	021-720	Joseph Wilson	do.	10-58	600	HS	Dre	6	95	52	Swl	ls,sh	37	10-58	15	0.4r	600	12	—	D	YZ: 55, 90
163	021-720	Smiley Briner	do.	10-58	615	HS	Dre	6	103	43	Swl	sh	40	10-58	8	0.16r	—	—	—	D	YZ: 50, 95
164	025-725	Jacob Shuman	do.	9-58	975	HS	Dre	6	50	21	Sr	sh	20	9-58	15	1.0r	170	4	—	D	YZ: 48
165	022-718	Edward Stambaugh	do.	9-58	585	V	Dre	6	26	20	Swl	sh	39	10-58	15	1.5r	450	12	52	D	YZ: 18, 24
166	021-720	Marion Shaffer	do.	9-58	550	V	Dre	6	58	20	Sr	sh	9	9-58	9	0.2r	250	6	—	D	YZ: 40, 55
167	022-718	K. E. Kennedy	do.	9-56	600	V	Dre	6	80	38	Swu	ls	22	9-56	15	—	—	—	—	A	YZ: 40, 75
168	021-721	Wilbur Gutshall	do.	8-58	605	HS	Dre	6	100	40	Sb	ss	26	8-58	15	—	900	18	—	D	Contaminated by gasoline about 1960; now clear; YZ: 90
170	021-720	Emmet Bros.	do.	5-58	635	HS	Dre	6	100	62	Swl	sh	35	5-58	15	1.0r	400	10	—	C	CA, YZ: 158, 80, 95
171	020-718	Edward Nace	do.	5-58	575	HS	Dre	6	105	41	Swu	sh	35	5-58	>15	3.0r	720	18	—	D	YZ: 60, 90
172	026-723	Frank Minum	do.	6-57	720	V	Dre	6	95	15	Sb	sh	15	6-57	5	—	450	3	—	D	YZ: 90; Strong H <sub>2</sub> S
173	019-726	Samuel Baltosser	do.	7-57	755	HS	Dre	6	123	24	Sb	sh,ss	35	7-57	6	.1r	180	4	—	D	YZ: 85
174	019-725	Harold Irvine	do.	7-57	660	V	Dre	6	102	46	Sb	ss	12	11-60	12	.17r	160	3	—	D	YZ: 30
175	020-715	C. A. Shope	do.	7-57	595	HS	Dre	6	70	53	Swl	sh	40	7-57	10	—	—	—	—	D	YZ: 55, 65
176	023-720	Scott Weibly	do.	7-57	785	D	Dre	6	53	21	Dmt	ss	18	7-57	10	—	150	2	—	D	YZ: 30, 50
177	023-717	Mrs. Edward Reap- source	do.	8-57	640	V	Dre	6	57	20	Sb	sh,ss	6	8-57	20	.6r	510	14	—	C	YZ: 55
179	020-718	Ward Baughman	do.	8-57	585	HS	Dre	6	109	68	Swu	sh,ls	28	8-57	15	.3r	—	—	—	D	YZ: 65, 100
180	021-728	David Harris	do.	8-57	700	V	Dre	6	53	21	Swl	sh	10	8-57	15	1.0r	—	—	—	X	YZ: 25, 48; bacterially polluted
181	019-716	Banks Scheibly	do.	9-57	560	HS	Dre	6	61	25	Sb	ss	12	9-57	8	—	—	—	—	D	YZ: 20, 55
182	023-716	C. E. Brytz	do.	9-57	735	HS	Dre	6	53	20	Don	sh,ls	5	9-57	25	2.5r	560	16	—	D	CA, YZ: 25, 50
183	021-725	Richard Johnson	do.	9-57	620	V	Dre	6	40	22	Swl	sh,ls,ss	13	9-57	20	1.7r	—	—	—	D	YZ: 25, 38
184	018-718	David McAlister	do.	10-57	610	HS	Dre	6	80	34	Sb	sh	28	10-57	7	.2r	170	4	—	D	YZ: 75
185	019-716	Dean Shull	do.	11-57	555	V	Dre	6	89	35	Sw	sg,ss	45	11-57	15	3.0r	290	7	—	D	—
186	019-721	Paul Klier	do.	11-57	690	HS	Dre	6	120	115	Swl	sh	15	11-57	20	2.0r	—	—	—	D	YZ: 30, 80, 115
187	024-720	Donald Lightner	do.	12-57	630	V	Dre	6	52	16	Df	sh	+	12-57	7	—	—	—	—	D	YZ: 48
188	020-718	Aaron Morrison	do.	3-56	580	HS	Dre	6	99	25	Swu	sh	35	3-56	12	1.0r	—	—	—	D	YZ: 95
189	020-718	R. J. Keefer	do.	4-56	515	V	Dre	6	70	17	Sb	ss	10	4-56	12	—	—	—	—	D	YZ: 40, 65
190	021-725	Harris Garage	do.	4-56	710	HS	Dre	6	105	49	Swu	sh	—	—	5±	—	375	39	—	C	CA, YZ: 100
191	021-718	J. S. Dum	do.	5-56	605	HS	Dre	6	62	20	Swl	sh	40	5-56	20	1.0r	330	9	—	D	YZ: 60
192	020-715	Luther Snyder	do.	5-56	575	HS	Dre	6	96	74	Swu	sh	50	5-56	10	.4r	370	11	—	D	YZ: 70
193	021-722	G. M. Clouse	do.	6-56	585	V	Dre	6	110	35	Sb	ss	28	6-56	12	—	635	8	—	D	YZ: 110
194	019-718	Harry Baughman	do.	5-56	580	HS	Dre	6	139	51	Swl	sh	51	5-56	8	—	200	5	—	D	YZ: 135
196	018-716	George Crozier	do.	9-56	565	HS	Dre	6	98	71	Dhs	ls	40	9-56	12	0.5r	320	7	—	D	YZ: 90
198	019-716	Mt. Zion Church	do.	10-56	590	HS	Dre	6	80	31	Sr	ss	37	10-56	15	—	180	4	—	It	—
199	019-717	William Brennan	do.	10-56	530	HT	Dre	6	50	22	Sm	ss	12	10-56	15	—	300	8	—	D	YZ: 45
200	021-721	Dewey Baughman	do.	11-56	555	V	Dre	6	65	36	Swl	sh	12	11-56	15	—	280	7	—	D	YZ: 34, 63
201	024-718	J. E. Stoner	do.	8-57	710	V	Dre	6	73	18	Ds	sh	5	8-57	20	.5r	—	—	—	D	YZ: 25, 68
202	020-718	G. R. Blosser	do.	6-56	545	V	Dre	6	112	35	Swl	sh	20.4	9-66	20	.42	800	19	54	D	YZ: 100

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204	021-724	J. C. Bishop	J. M. Hubler	5-61	610	V	Drr	6	170	22	Swl	sh	15	5-61	8	—	—	—	—	D	—
205	020-718	Landisburg Reformed Church	G. R. Blosser	7-65	555	HS	Drc	6	85	37	Swl	sh	32.2	7-65	20	.79	550	13	53	It	YZ: 65
208	017-721	Asper Russel	G. R. Blosser	1962	860	V	Drc	6	91	—	Ssm	—	—	—	—	—	80	2	54	D	—
211	018-716	J. M. Sweiger	G. R. Blosser	6-65	615	HS	Drc	6	70	40	Dmot	sh	24.4	6-65	15	1.12	105	3	—	D	YZ: 45, 65
212	020-718	Edward Nace	do.	—	585	HS	Drc	4	107	—	Swu	—	41.1	6-65	—	—	—	—	—	O	Contaminated by gasoline
214	021-717	J. F. Bolze	—	—	630	HS	Du	40	29	—	Sto	—	23.8	6-65	—	—	—	—	—	O	—
218	018-725	Squirrel Nest Cabin	—	—	920	HS	Du	36	39	—	Sb	—	33.5	6-65	—	—	2	53	—	D	—
219	020-718	M. W. Lightner	G. R. Blosser	7-65	525	V	Drc	6	55	23	Sb	ss	8.2	7-65	12	.68	210	5	52	D	YZ: 22, 50
221	021-720	Perry County Home	—	—	590	V	Dr	—	64	—	Swu	—	—	—	—	—	450	15	—	It	Serves 30 people
222	021-720	do.	—	—	575	V	Dr	4	124	21	Swu	—	8.8	8-65	20	.68	540	14	51	U	—
223	022-722	C. I. Noss	J. E. Hockenberry	—	605	V	Drc	6	70	26	Sto	—	—	—	15	—	530	14	—	D	YZ: 37, 65; 5 gpm at 37 ft.
224	022-723	Shelly Zandt	Kohl Bros.	1960	620	V	Drc	6	—	60	Don	—	—	—	20	—	475	11	—	D	—
225	022-725	Oscar Riedorf	do.	1-58	830	HS	Drc	6	155	95	Dhs	—	58	1-58	4	—	270	7	—	D	YZ: 60, 94
226	022-725	J. D. Milligan	do.	1963	865	HS	Drr	6	318	34	Dhs	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	D,A	YZ: 165, 276, 302
227	023-724	R. B. Thrush	W. E. Hubler	1960	685	D	Drr	6	68	20	Dmt	—	1	1960	30	—	100	1	—	D	Per. Most water at 65 ft.
228	023-726	Clair McMillan	do.	1965	688	V	Drr	6	80	—	Don	—	—	—	8	—	740	17	—	D	—
229	022-728	R. E. McMillen	do.	1963	765	V	Drr	6	80	18	Sto	sh,ls	8	10-63	>50	—	255	6	—	D,A	YZ: 18, 55; 25 gpm at 18 ft.
230	024-725	L. D. McMillen	do.	1963	723	V	Drr	6	170	20	Sto	—	10.1	7-65	22	.34	515	15	55	D,A	Per. no water above 150 ft.
231	023-725	Theodore Latchford	Jack Walker	1963	700	HS	Drc	6	43	13	Dms	sh,ls	10	9-63	10	—	300	7	—	D	YZ: 41
232	023-725	Harry Latchford	do.	1963	720	HS	Drc	6	93	50	Dms	sh	18	9-63	10	—	120	2	—	D	Per
233	022-724	Raymond Kint	W. E. Hubler	1960	670	V	Drr	6	35	35	Dor	—	6	12-64	>20	—	60	1	—	D,A	Loose yellow sand
234	026-722	C. K. Reisinger	Joseph Ceko- vich	1965	745	HT	Drr	6	225	23	Sb	sfts, sh	35	3-65	8	—	435	11	—	C	YZ: 225; no water above 225 ft.

235	026-722	do.	W. E. Hubler	1965	720	HT	Drr	6	165	20	Sb	slst, sh	45.6	8-65	<1	<.1	340	8	53	D	Hole dry above 140 ft. 8 gpm at 45 ft; YZ: 45, 58 YZ: 35 Cased off at 18 ft. Little draw- down reported
236	026-723	P. Stuber	do.	1961	750	HS	Drr	6	60	16	Sb	—	5	12-61	16	—	—	5	—	D	
238	023-726	Robert Wagner	do.	1965	675	V	Drr	6	46	17	Dms	—	3.6	8-65	15	.56	370	10	53	C	
239	023-726	do.	do.	1965	675	V	Drr	6	61	20	Dms	—	3.2	8-65	8	—	—	—	—	C	
240	025-723	C. H. Swartz	Earl Walker	1947	790	HS	Dre	6	235	52	Dhs	ls,ss	126	1947	>20	—	315	9	—	D, A	
241	025-723	do.	W. E. Hubler	1959	790	HS	Drr	6	150	50	Dhs	ls,ss	114.7	8-65	<1	<.1	—	—	—	—	
242	023-726	J. E. Dobbs	—	—	690	V	Du	—	16	—	Dms	—	9.3	9-65	—	—	—	—	—	O	
244	026-719	V. E. Delaney	J. M. Hubler	1965	575	V	Dre	6	47	—	Dr	—	6.5	7-65	15	.55	255	6	52	D	
246	022-715	? Kistler	—	—	965	HS	Du	40	29	—	Dmt	—	26.1	7-65	—	—	190	4	51	D	
247	022-716	do.	—	—	940	HS	Du	40	29	—	Dms	—	13.5	7-65	—	—	—	—	—	D	
248	022-716	? Kistler	—	—	955	HS	Du	36±	21.5	—	Dms	—	9.8	7-65	—	—	—	—	—	U	
249	024-716	J. D. Stambaugh	Kohl Bros.	1959	770	HS	Dre	6	300	45	Sto	—	30	8-59	20	—	910	23	—	A	
251	024-715	Arthur Dum	—	1964	748	HS	Dre	6	97	—	Swu	—	21.3	7-65	—	—	510	11	—	D	
255	024-716	H. R. Radle	Joseph ceko- vich	—	—	—	Dr	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
257	022-720	W. N. McGowan	—	1965	825	D	Drr	6	123	30	Dmt	—	30.8	7-65	15	.31	110	2	51.5	D	Fer
258	022-721	R. K. Allemen	G. R. Blosser	1951	830	HT	Dre	6	403	51	Sk	ls	—	—	8	—	—	—	—	D	
260	023-721	S. J. Weibly	J. E. Hocken- berry	1962	750	D	Dre	6	45	—	Dmt	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	D	Fer
261	028-716	K. J. Knisely	W. E. Hubler	1964	835	HS	Drr	6	78	20	Dmot	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	D	
263	029-715	R. R. McNaughton	Earl Walker	1940	745	HT	Dre	—	100	—	Df	sh	—	—	—	—	190	3	—	D	CA
264	028-716	C. E. Burd	do.	1943	690	V	Dre	6	42	15	Dr	—	—	1943	20	—	220	4	—	D	H <sub>2</sub> S
265	029-715	J. W. Burd	—	—	725	HS	Du	36	22	—	Ds	—	16.5	8-65	—	—	240	4	—	D	Has been pumped dry.
270	025-715	D. P. Radle	—	—	720	HS	Du	36	28	—	Ds	—	—	—	—	—	180	3	—	D	Bacterially polluted.
271	026-719	C. A. Knouse	Earl Walker	1950	635	HS	Dre	—	35	—	Ds	—	—	1950	—	—	—	4	—	D	
272	026-719	do.	W. E. Hubler	1965	580	V	Drr	6	60	18	Ds	—	30	7-65	12	—	150	3	—	D	CA
273	027-718	Mrs. George Long	Jack Walker	1962	590	HS	Dre	6	187	—	Ds	sh	—	—	12	—	—	—	—	D	
274	027-718	F. S. Crum	—	—	590	HS	Du	36	28	—	Ds	—	—	8-65	—	—	—	3	—	D	H <sub>2</sub> S
276	027-716	K. R. Stone	G. R. Blosser	1951	575	V	Dre	—	70	25	Df	—	22.8	1951	8	—	160	3	—	D, A	
277	027-718	C. W. Newlin	Joseph ceko- vich	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
278	028-717	Mrs. Edward Paden	Earl Walker	1965	580	V	Drr	6	140	20	Ds	sh	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	D	YZ: 100, 140
279	028-717	M. A. Metz	Shiffert Bros.	1948	625	HS	Dre	6	54	28	Ds	—	10	1948	20	—	220	5	—	D	YZ: 45, 54
280	028-717	E. A. Swartz	Earl Walker	1960	650	HS	Dre	6	104	80	Ds	—	10	1960	12	—	170	3	—	D	Fer
281	028-716	C. L. Shotzberger	Earl Walker	1955	660	V	Dre	6	88	20	Ds	—	—	1965	—	—	—	—	—	D	
282	028-716	S. G. Urick	W. E. Hubler	1960	710	HS	Drr	6	60	16	Ds	sh	5	1965	35	—	—	—	—	D	
283	025-715	J. A. Corman	Shiffert Bros.	1965	700	HS	Dre	6	70	25	Ds	sh	8.1	7-65	10	—	200	4	—	D	
284	026-717	G. H. Haas	Earl Walker	1957	695	V	Dre	6	80	18	Dr	—	—	—	18	—	200	4	—	D	CA
285	027-717	P. G. Reisinger	do.	—	830	HS	Dre	6	77	—	Dfe	—	22.2	7-65	<3	—	245	5	—	D	YZ: 40, 60;
286	027-718	do.	Jack Walker	1962	570	V	Dre	6	60	—	Dr	—	—	9-62	40	—	—	—	—	U	strong H <sub>2</sub> S has never gone dry.
287	027-718	J. L. Bailor	—	—	570	V	Du	—	12	—	Dr	—	9	1964	—	—	340	4	—	D	H <sub>2</sub> S
288	027-717	W. E. Britcher	Earl Walker	—	570	V	Dre	6	30	20	Ds	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	D	
290	027-719	W. C. Deatrick	do.	1945	600	HS	Dre	6	87	20	Ds	—	<20	—	—	—	—	—	—	D	
			—	1959	750	HS	Dr	6	208	80	Sto	—	25	1964	8	—	—	—	—	D	YZ: 22; no water below 22 feet.

YZ: 40, 60;  
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Table 6.—Record of wells—Continued

Well number	Location number	Owner	Driller	Date completed	Altitude above sea level (feet)	Topography	Method of construction	Diameter of casing (inches)	Total depth (feet)	Depth to bottom of casing (feet)	Aquifer		Yield (gpm)	Specific capacity (gpm per ft dd)	Field measurements of water quality			Remarks
											Name	Composition			Specific conductance (microhms at 25° C)	Hardness (grains per gal.)	Temperature (°F)	
											Depth below land surface (ft)	Date measured						Use
293	023-717	L. E. Sledzinski	—	—	670	HS	Dr	6	65	—	Ssu	—	—	—	—	—	—	D, A
295	025-719	R. L. Fooce	—	—	915	HT	Dr	6	237	—	Df	—	—	—	—	—	—	D
296	025-717	E. S. Comp	Jack Walker	—	810	HS	Drc	6	185	80	Df	—	6	—	—	—	—	D
297	026-718	Mrs. Ralph Jacobs	J. E. Hockenberry	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
298	026-717	R. K. Brinton	Jack Walker	1963	635	V	Drc	6	68	25	Df	—	21	—	280	3	—	D, A
299	018-719	M. W. Morrison	—	—	685	HS	Du	—	21	—	Sb	—	—	—	200	2	52	D
300	020-717	William Barkley	G. R. Blosser	1965	570	HS	Drc	6	118	77	Sb	ss, sh	25	2.0r	—	—	—	D
305	027-721	M. A. Snyder	Jack Walker	1958	625	V	Drc	6	211	18	Sto	ls	9	—	860	24	—	Goes dry in August
307	024-727	M. L. Shaffer	Joseph Cekovich	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Y.Z. 66, 105
308	024-727	do.	do.	1964	1,055	HS	Drr	6	139	68	Sr	—	10	.15	210	5	49.5	D
309	024-727	Lindsay Depaw	do.	1965	995	HS	Drr	6	73	48	Sr	—	12	—	—	—	—	D
310	024-727	Edward Bichart	do.	1964	970	HS	Drr	6	117	43	Sr	—	25	—	160	4	—	D
311	024-727	M. L. Sheaffer	do.	1964	940	HS	Drr	6	92	67	Sr	—	20	—	—	—	—	CA, Fer
312	024-727	do.	do.	1964	1,005	HS	Drr	6	117	67	Sr	—	10	—	—	—	—	D
313	024-727	Truman Sminkey	do.	1965	1,020	HS	Drr	6	160	67	Sr	—	4	—	—	—	—	D
314	024-727	Mesemer	do.	1964	980	HS	Drr	6	142	67	Sr	—	3	—	—	—	—	D
315	024-726	Joseph Sweeney	do.	1964	1,020	HS	Drr	6	92	62	Sr	—	12	—	—	—	—	D
316	024-726	K. W. Worley	do.	1964	950	HS	Drr	6	125	63	Sr	—	35	—	—	—	—	D
319	029-716	Burt Hahn	W. E. Hubler	—	645	D	Drr	6	90	45	Sr	—	10	—	—	—	—	D
320	029-716	George Schlitzer	do.	—	655	D	Drr	6	65	20	Dmm	—	7	—	—	—	—	D
322	029-716	Mrs. Stone	Shifert Bros.	—	655	HS	Drc	6	35	—	Dmm	—	—	—	—	—	—	D
323	029-717	Charles Rathfon	W. E. Hubler	—	1,020	HS	Drr	6	200	—	Dmo	—	3	—	—	—	—	D
324	029-716	Merle Lehner	do.	—	910	HS	Drr	6	50	20	Dmo	—	—	—	—	—	—	D
327	029-716	LaRoss Johnson	do.	—	950	HS	Drr	6	150	20	Ds	—	15	—	160	4	—	0.23 mg./liron
328	029-716	George Brinton	do.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Ds	—	—	—	—	—	—	D
329	029-716	Frank Jones	do.	—	1,000	HS	Drr	6	100	<20	Dmo	—	4	—	—	—	—	D
330	028-716	George Mumpher	do.	—	1,010	HS	Drr	6	114	20±	Dmo	—	5	—	65	1	—	0.22 mg./liron
332	029-717	—	do.	—	870	HS	Drr	6	135	20±	Dmo	—	<3	<.1r	—	—	—	D
333	029-717	G. A. Nulf	do.	—	840	HS	Drr	6	170	20±	Dmo	—	<3	—	—	—	—	D
334	029-717	—	do.	—	930	HS	Drr	6	165	20±	Dmo	—	<3	—	55	1	—	0.29 mg./liron
335	029-717	George Weiser	do.	—	810	HS	Drr	6	125	20±	Dmo	—	<5	—	—	—	—	D
336	029-717	C. K. Baumbach	do.	—	975	HS	Drr	6	200	20±	Dmo	—	3	—	185	4	—	0.23 mg./liron
				—	985	HS	Drr	6	200	20±	Dmo	—	2	—	—	—	—	D

337	026-717	R. K. Brinton	Earl Walker	—	765	HS	Drc	—	100	—	Df	—	—	—	—	—	—	D
338	025-716	J. A. Peck	W. E. Hubler	1964	705	V	Drc	6	81	—	Ds	—	14.9	7-65	4	180	—	D
339	024-719	W. B. Reisinger	Shiffer Bros.	—	830	D	Drc	6	80	30	Dmt	—	30	15	—	—	—	D
340	027-721	D. R. Johnson	Earl Walker	1955	640	V	Drc	6	68	41	Swu	ls	7	10-55	100	—	—	D
341	027-720	D. S. Sheriff	do.	1930	620	V	Drc	6	49	—	Swu	—	16.6	8-65	17	700	—	D
342	027-720	D. S. Sheriff	do.	1930	620	HS	Drc	6	103	60	Swl	—	37.8	9-66	50	640	15	0.05 mg/1 iron
343	020-718	Landisburg V.F.W.	G. R. Blosser	—	580	HS	Drc	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	It
344	020-718	Landisburg Ele- mentary School	G. R. Blosser	1927	610	HS	Drc	—	78	40	Swu	—	—	—	15	—	—	It
347	020-718	do.	Kohl Bros.	1951	610	HS	Dr	6	232	45	Swu	—	60	9-51	30	—	—	—
348	022-718	West Perry School	Ridpath and Potter	—	645	HS	Dr	8	212	31	Swu	—	35	7-52	42	—	—	It
350	027-720	S. R. Sheriff	Earl Walker	1952	630	V	Drc	6	78	26	Swl	sh,ls	—	—	20	1,200	27	CA YZ: 63, 75
354	027-715	Walnut Grove Church	do.	1953	530	V	Drc	6	50	22	Dck	—	—	—	20	—	—	It
356	027-721	Ickesburg Reformed Church	do.	—	640	V	Drc	6	67	20	Swu	ls	—	—	16	—	—	It
358	027-721	Stanley Shifert	do.	—	630	V	Drc	6	72	39	Swu	—	—	—	30	—	—	D
359	027-721	Ickesburg Hotel	do.	—	630	V	Drc	6	100	28	Sto	ls	—	—	50	—	—	Has been con- taminated by fuel oil.
361	027-721	Jesse Smith	do.	1950	640	V	Drc	6	81	25	Swu	—	—	—	30	—	—	D
362	027-721	Lutheran Parsonage	do.	—	640	V	Drc	6	61	27	Swu	—	—	—	18	—	—	D
364	027-718	? Sheaffer	do.	—	595	V	Drc	6	52	23	Ds	—	—	—	50	—	—	D
367	027-718	Eschol Schoolhouse	do.	—	585	D	Drc	6	32	24	Ds	—	—	—	8	—	—	D
368	025-717	Dale Haas	do.	—	800	HS	Drc	6	72	14	Ds	—	—	—	16	—	—	D,A
369	024-717	Marlin Rudy	do.	—	765	HS	Drc	6	57	26	Ds	—	—	—	11	—	—	D,A
372	025-716	Russel Cristman	Joseph Ceko- vich	1964	920	HT	Drr	6	225	40	Dmo	ss	121.3	7-65	8	130	2	No water above 200 ft.
373	025-715	H. R. Radle	Earl Walker	1945	850	HS	Drc	6	98	40	Dmot	—	50	1945	18	—	—	D
374	027-716	? Swartz	—	—	675	HS	Du	36	20	—	Drc	—	19.7	7-65	—	—	—	D
376	022-728	L. S. Conley	—	—	1,025	HT	Du	100±	61	—	Dor	—	53.3	8-64	—	45	—	O
377	022-725	J. D. Milligan	—	—	880	HS	Dr	—	214	—	Dhs	—	146.5	7-65	16	—	—	U,O
380	023-717	Frank Hench	Kohl Bros.	1965	655	HS	Drr	6	160	44	Swl	sh	30	1965	16	—	—	D
389	022-724	F. J. Dillman	do.	1964	765	V	Drc	6	134	—	Dhs	—	83	12-64	6	—	—	D,A
391	018-716	Maryetta Bolze	do.	1964	600	HS	Drr	6	104	35	Dus	—	42	12-64	9	—	—	D



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Well number	Location number	Owner	Driller	Date completed	Altitude above sea level (feet)	Topography	Method of construction	Diameter of casing (inches)	Total depth (feet)	Depth to bottom of casing (feet)	Aquifer		Static water level		Yield (gpm)	Specific capacity (gpm per ft dd)	Field measurements of water quality			Remarks
											Name	Composition	Depth below land surface (feet)	Date measured			Specific conductance (microhos at 25°C)	Hardness (grains per gallon)	Temperature (°F)	
412	021-717	Donald Lyons	G. R. Blosser	1966	665	HS	Drc	6	70	54	Sto	ls	35	5-66	>12	—	—	—	D	Large opening at 70 ft. Fer, YZ: 90, 130
413	022-719	Curtiss Binger	do.	5-66	680	D	Drc	6	140	68	Swl	sh	86.3	6-66	17	1.90	360	9	53	D
414	028-720	Charles Barnes	Earl Walker	—	715	HS	Drc	6	162	20	Swu	—	—	6-66	8	—	—	—	—	D
415	028-720	do.	W. E. Hubler	1964	890	HS	Drr	6	120	20	Sb	—	34.0	5-66	2	.1	105	3	54	U
416	025-724	W. D. Sweger	—	—	755	V	Du	36	68	—	Sto	ls	53.7	5-66	5±	—	255	7	—	YZ: 68
417	027-721	Fred Rice	J. M. Hubler	1966	650	HS	Drc	6	81	40	Swu	sh,ls	23.8	5-66	25	1.57	230	5	52	D
418	022-728	H. L. Rice	Kohl Bros.	1947	820	V	Drc	6	105	43	Swu	—	41.3	6-66	30	1.93	175	4	52.5	D
419	024-726	George Lombard	—	1964	1,155	HT	Dr	6	67	41	St	ss	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	D
420	024-726	Robert Gentzler	Joseph Ceko- vich	1964	1,155	HT	Drc	6	122	22	St	—	60	10-64	10	—	90	2	50.5	D
421	022-716	Kenneth Blumen- schein	do.	1966	880	HS	Drr	6	199	88	Dmot	ss	63.5	6-66	8	.25	100	1	53.5	D
422	019-727	R. R. Yohn, Jr.	G. R. Blosser	1966	690	V	Drc	6	78	37	Sb	ss	11.2	6-66	30	1.33	210	5	53	D
424	023-721	David Hess	Joseph Ceko- vich	1966	915	D	Drr	6	125	34	Dmot	ss	35.5	6-66	5	.3	230	5	—	D
427	022-727	William Shuman	W. E. Hubler	1966	740	V	Drr	6	47	21	Dhs	ch,ls, slts,ss	15.8	6-66	>100	31.2	260	6	52	D
428	023-725	D. I. Hess	do.	1966	700	V	Drr	6	63	30	Dms	—	23.4	6-66	10	.52	470	10	52	D
430	018-719	James Elfritz	G. R. Blosser	1966	710	HS	Drc	6	106	88	Sb	sh,ss	24.2	7-66	10	.2r	—	—	—	D
431	021-720	Iressler Memorial Church	Kohl Bros.	1966	593	D	Drr	6	223	27	Sb	sh	24.0	8-66	20	.28	—	—	—	It
432	020-720	Shirley Schlusser	G. R. West- brook	1966	720	HS	Drr	6	230	38	Sr	sh	65.6	8-66	12	.2	—	—	—	D
433	020-720	Charles Eritts	do.	1966	735	HS	Drr	6	204	22	Sm	—	57.7	8-66	8	—	—	—	—	D
445	020-718	John Schaeffer	G. R. Blosser	1966	550	HS	Drc	6	98	56	Swl	ss	20	7-66	25	1.1r	—	—	—	D
447	028-716	Raccoon Valley Retreat	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
450	024-720	Glen Clouse	W. E. Hubler	1966	1,050	HT	Drr	6	160	—	Smo	—	100	8-66	5	—	—	—	—	D
455	019-721	J. D. Lightner	G. R. Blosser	1966	650	V	Drc	6	52	27	Dr	sh	6	8-66	7	.3r	185	4	—	D
			M. L. Gayman	1964	700	D	Drr	6	122	90	Swl	sh	62	6-64	20	—	50	1	—	D
456	020-719	H. A. Reifsnyder	Joseph Ceko- vich	6-66	515	V	Drr	6	123	23	Sb, Swl	—	6	6-66	1	—	370	3	53	D
457	020-724	Glenn D. Gibble	J. E. Hocken- berry	1966	705	V	Drc	6	70	59	Sb	sh,ss	22.9	7-66	>60	7.74	40	1	49	D



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459	020-718	S. E. Bell	—	—	565	HS	Du	36	18	—	Swu	—	5.1	10-66	—	—	560	12	—	U
460	020-718	J. M. Rice	—	—	575	HS	Du	40	22	—	Swu	—	8.8	10-66	—	—	1,175	21	—	D
463	024-726	Harry Hartsough	J. M. Hubler	1964	1,130	HT	Drr	6	62	21	St	ss	37.8	11-66	2	—	40	1	—	D
466	022-719	Mildred A. Smith	Joseph Cekovich	1967	630	V	Drr	6	300	38	Swl	sh	20.5	7-67	34	.76	400	9	53	T
500	027-721	L. W. Lacy	Earl Walker	1930	640	V	Dre	6	43	20	Sto	ls	7	1966	—	—	685	17	—	D
501	027-721	C. E. Reisinger	—	—	635	V	Du	48	20	—	Swu	—	16	7-66	—	—	—	—	—	D
502	027-721	M. L. Lauer	—	—	630	V	Du	48	20	—	Sto	—	—	—	—	—	450	12	—	U
58	042-719	J. F. Henry	—	—	770	HS	Drr	6	66	30	Sw	sh,ls	15	1964	—	—	—	—	—	D
58	043-721	Narchood	—	—	730	HT	Drr	6	71	30	Dmh	—	33±	—	4	—	—	—	—	D
75	043-718	F. E. Bobb	Freed and Bell	1964	650	V	Dre	6	80	17	Dmh	sh	—	—	>20	>.7r	—	—	—	D
76	043-720	P. L. Baker	do.	1961	750	V	Dre	6	50	21	Drr	sh	1.9	9-65	8	.2r	300	7	—	D
77	043-720	Harry Collabine	do.	1961	715	HT	Dre	6	110	30	Dmh	sh	40	7-61	15	.2r	245	6	—	D
78	044-721	Donald McMullen	do.	1963	775	HS	Dre	6	85	25	Dmh	sh	32	1-63	>20	1.1r	—	—	—	D
79	044-721	Glen Berryman	do.	1960	780	HS	Dre	6	95	36	Dmh	sh	21	5-60	7	.1r	—	—	—	D
80	043-720	S. J. Gross	do.	1960	680	V	Dre	6	100	26	Drr	sh	29	4-60	10	.14r	—	—	—	D
81	042-719	Henry Erb	M. H. Romig	1960	765	HT	Dre	6	130	32	Dmt	sh	43	1-60	—	.1r	360	8	—	D
84	044-717	Lloyd Fultz	do.	1957	715	HS	Dre	6	40	11	Df	sh	6	10-57	—	.4r	265	9	—	D
86	042-718	C. D. Eater	do.	1959	855	HS	Dre	6	150	125	Swl	ls,sh	84	6-59	10+	.4r	160	8	—	D
87	043-720	Paul Goss	do.	1957	685	V	Dre	6	60	10	Ds	sh	6	9-57	—	—	—	—	—	U
88	043-716	Glen Brower	do.	1960	685	V	Dre	6	75	44	Sto	ls	8	5-60	—	—	430	9	—	D,A
89	041-718	McCleure Water Supply Co.	R. R. Hornberger	1964	834	HS	Drr,	6	870	37	Sb	sh,ss	60±	—	33	.3r	—	—	—	P
90	041-718	do.	do.	1964	837	HS	Drr	6	412	37	Sb	sh	56	9-64	8	.1r	—	—	—	U
91	041-718	do.	—	1942	828	HS	Drr	—	315	—	Sb	—	+	Spring	100±	—	—	—	—	P
93	043-720	D. C. Bonnie	Freed and Bell	1965	725	HS	Dre	6	100	17	Dmh	sh	30	6-65	15	1.4r	—	—	—	D
96	044-718	C. F. Koger	G. R. Zechman	1954	780	HS	Dre	6	110	20	Df	—	10	5-54	12	—	—	—	—	D
99	043-715	Snooks Restaurant	do.	1963	660	V	Drr	6	147	80	Sto	ls	20	9-63	1	—	—	—	—	C
100	042-718	Harry Pheasant	do.	1964	790	HS	Drr	6	197	158	Swl	—	17.0	9-65	—	—	430	11	—	D
103	042-719	John Hassinger	J. M. Hubler	1959	760	HT	Drr	6	149	28	Dmt	sh	45	12-59	5	—	400	9	—	D
104	042-719	James Wert	do.	1959	765	HT	Drr	6	110	20	Dmt	sh	50	12-59	8	—	—	—	—	D
105	042-719	Jack Timblin	do.	1959	765	HT	Drr	6	110	20	Dmt	—	50	12-59	10	—	—	—	—	D
106	042-721	Warren Ball	do.	1962	670	V	Dre	6	44	21	Dmh	sh	5	4-62	10	—	160	3	—	D
107	042-719	L. H. Fisher	G. R. Zechman	1965	740	HS	Dre	6	197	155	Dms,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	D
108	042-718	H. W. Wagner	M. H. Romig	1962	700	V	Dre	6	55	24	Dms	sh	7	4-62	10	—	—	—	—	D
109	044-719	C. D. Snook	do.	1961	735	V	Dre	6	60	42	Dmh	sh	41	10-61	15	1.5r	—	—	—	D
110	044-718	H. A. Wofley	do.	1961	860	HT	Dre	6	165	21	Df	sh	51	10-61	—	—	—	—	—	D
111	044-717	R. D. Shields	do.	1961	680	V	Dre	6	50	—	Dmh	sh	9	1-61	—	—	220	6	—	D
112	043-721	Clifford Wagner	do.	1962	720	HT	Dre	6	94	24	Dmh	sh	66	9-62	—	—	310	6	—	D
113	044-716	W. J. Renninger	do.	1961	720	HS	Dre	6	80	20	Df	sh	18	7-61	—	—	—	—	—	D
117	042-720	J. R. Hines	do.	1961	720	V	Dre	6	60	22	Dmh	sh	+	8-61	—	—	275	5	—	D
120	043-720	Gerald Renninger	Freed and Bell	1964	700	V	Dre	6	100	28	Dmh	sh	41	11-64	7	.1r	260	6	—	D

CA, YZ: 72,  
128, 245, 470,  
530  
YZ: 110, 184,  
245, 367

YZ: 65, 80, 95  
YZ: 100  
YZ: 139

Per  
Per  
Per  
Per

YZ: 187  
YZ: 50  
YZ: 50  
YZ: 80, 130,  
155

YZ: 70  
HS, YZ: 155  
YZ: 90

Table 7.—Yield and construction characteristics of drilled wells, by geologic unit

Formation	Member	Map symbol	Dominant rock type <sup>1</sup>		Reported yield (gpm)				Well depths (feet)				Casing depths (feet)	
					Number of wells	Median	Range	Number of wells	Median	Range	Number of wells	Median		
Catskill		Dck	ss, sh	2	20	20-20	2	2	—	50-70	2	—	16-22	
Catskill—Fort Littleton Transition Beds		Dfc	sh, ss	1	—	1	1	1	—	77	0	—	—	
Fort Littleton		Df	ss, sh	11	9	5-20	16	16	75	40-350	11	20	11-80	
Rush		Dr	sh	6	18	8-40	6	6	60	42-100	4	20	15-26	
Sherman Ridge		Ds	sh, ss	17	11	1-50	21	21	65	30-187	18	20	10-80	
Mahantango		Dmh	ss, sh	29	12	3-20	36	36	85	44-170	33	27	5-66	
		Dmo,												
Montebello		Dmom,												
		Dmot	ss	24	8	2-30	27	27	95	35-200	19	30	20-88	
Marcellus		Dm	ss, sh	4	9	5-16	4	4	70	48-85	4	30	24-33	
		Dmm	sh	29	8	1-20	29	29	85	34-208	27	27	9-63	
Turkey Ridge		Dmt	ss	22	12	2-30	24	24	85	32-149	23	28	11-52	
Shamokin		Dms	sh	13	12	5-30	17	17	65	36-197	17	30	13-155	
Onondaga		Don	calc sh	9	8	1-25	10	10	90	42-125	10	40	19-85	
Old Port and Oriskany—Helderberg		Do,	ls, ch,											
		Dho	ss	6	10	5-30	9	9	165	43-243	9	140	34-225	

Oriskany	Ridgeley	Dor	ss	6	10	5-20	3	61	35-110	3	58	35-110
Oriskany and Helderberg	Shriver	Dhs	ls, ch	11	9	1-100	12	130	47-318	10	50	21-95
Keyser		Sk, Sky	ls	16	9	5-30	17	95	51-403	16	35	10-180
Tonoloway		Sto	ls	67	11	1-275	84	95	40-504	72	33	8-102
Wills Creek		Sw	sh	18	14	1-45	21	110	27-303	20	28	12-78
	Upper	Swu	sh, ls	42	15	5-100	52	85	20-454	46	40	14-82
	Lower	Swl	sh	51	15	5-160	57	85	26-495	54	42	12-158
Bloomsburg		Sb	sh, ss	55	13	1-100	60	100	50-870	55	35	6-108
Mifflintown		Sm	ls, sh	19	11	1-15	7	70	46-350	6	24	12-46
	McKenzie and Rochester	Smm	ls, sh	10	10	1-30	14	75	55-310	11	26	20-32
	Keefer	Smk	ss	3	6	1-12	6	68	46-130	2	—	7-30
Rose Hill		Sr	sh	24	10	1-35	26	115	50-370	25	36	5-67
Tuscarora		St	ss	4	6	1-10	5	67	50-250	3	35	22-42
Juniata		Oj	ss, sh	0	—	—	0	—	—	0	—	—
Bald Eagle		Ob	ss, cg	0	—	—	0	—	—	0	—	—
Reedsville and Martinsburg		Or, Om	sh	35	13	5-50	34	85	38-250	30	37	15-81

<sup>1</sup> Calcareous shale, calc, sh; Chert, ch; conglomerate, cg; limestone, ls; shale, sh; sandstone, ss.

bedrock which wells must penetrate in order to obtain a yield of about 10 gpm. Most of the wells in this group are between 50 and 170 feet deep, and the median depth is 88 feet. Only 6 percent are less than 50 feet deep, and only 10 percent are more than 170 feet deep. The deepest domestic and farm wells have been drilled on hillsides and ridges underlain by the Oriskany, Helderberg, and Old Port Formations. More than half of the wells drilled into these rock units in valleys, on the other hand, are generally no deeper than valley wells in most other units.

The deepest well (Ju-105) in the study area is a gas-test well that was drilled to a depth of 10,036 feet (and later plugged) on Shade Mountain, about  $3\frac{1}{2}$  miles north of McAlisterville. The well started in the Reedsville Formation and ended in carbonate rocks of Early Ordovician age.

### Casing

Casing is installed in wells in the study area mainly to prevent the mantle of soil and saprolite from collapsing into the borehole. In the majority of wells, steel casing is seated 3 or 4 feet into the solid bedrock; the remainder of the hole is then completed at a slightly smaller diameter, without additional casing. Casing has been extended more than a few feet below the bedrock surface in some wells, either because of contract specifications, or because a zone of unconsolidated or strongly fractured material, which would not maintain an open borehole, was encountered at greater depths.

Most of the wells in the study area contain 20 to 50 feet of casing, but casing depths range from 5 feet to 225 feet. The median and range of casing depths for individual formations and members are given in Table 7. The amount of casing required differs according to topography and the rock type. Wells drilled on hillsides normally require more casing than those drilled in valleys, and wells drilled in limestones and calcareous shales generally require more casing than those drilled in sandstone and noncalcareous shales.

The median depth of well casing in 283 wells drilled on hillsides is 37 feet, and the median depth of casing 217 wells drilled in valleys is 23 feet. Moreover, about 30 percent of the wells on hillsides have more than 50 feet of casing, whereas only 8 percent of the wells in valleys have more than this amount. The greater depth of casing in wells on hillsides is a reflection of the greater depth of weathering beneath hillsides.

Wells drilled in noncalcareous shales and sandstones generally contain less than 50 feet of casing, regardless of topographic position. Most of the wells containing more than 50 feet of casing are those that have been drilled into hillsides underlain by calcareous-rock units.

The weathered zone is especially deep beneath hillsides underlain by the Keyser, Helderberg, Oriskany, and Old Port Formations. More than one-

third of the wells drilled in such localities have required between 100 and 225 feet of casing. The median casing depth for hillside wells in these calcareous units is 58 feet.

The annular opening between the outside of the casing and the borehole wall of most wells in the study area has been allowed to fill with well cuttings during the drilling operation. The general effectiveness of this type of casing seal in preventing the direct entry of shallow ground water (which may be pollouted by septic tank effluent) into the well is not known. In a few instances, water levels in nearby hand-dug wells are higher than those in the drilled wells, indicating that the seal probably is effective. However, a few wells were examined in which water was found to be entering at or near the bottom of the casing, indicating that the casing seals were defective. Inasmuch as the annular opening is narrow (about 1-inch wide in most 6-inch wells), bridging of drill cuttings probably occurs around some casings. Bridging of material at depths of a few feet below land surface may leave much of the annular opening unsealed and, thus, permit relatively direct and rapid movement of shallow ground water into the wells. A few wells have been sealed with cement grout. The use of cement grout generally provides a reliable and effective seal.

### Yields

The yields of most wells listed in Table 6 were determined by the driller, either on the basis of a short-term bailing test or by measuring the discharge from an air-rotary drill. Few such tests exceeded one hour in duration, although some yielding zones that were penetrated at shallow depths by air-rotary drills may have been pumped for several hours while the well was being drilled to final depth. The drawdowns of water levels during the yield tests were reported for only a few of the wells that were tested by the bailing method. The reported drawdowns are only rough estimates of the true drawdowns. Specific capacities have been computed for several wells by using the drillers reported yield and drawdown data (Table 6). These specific capacities are considered to be only order-of-magnitude and were not used in relating well yield to the various parameters discussed in subsequent sections.

The yields reported for 534 wells range from less than 1 gpm to 275 gpm. Half of the wells reportedly yield 12 gpm or less, and fewer than 5 percent are reported to yield more than 50 gpm. The percentage distribution of reported well yields is shown in Figure 9. The median and range of reported yields for individual formations and members are given in Table 7. The median yields of all rocks units range from 6 to 20 gpm.

Although the reported yield data are imprecise and do not reflect the maximum potential of wells in the study area, they do suggest that the potential is low and that the chances of obtaining a relatively high yield



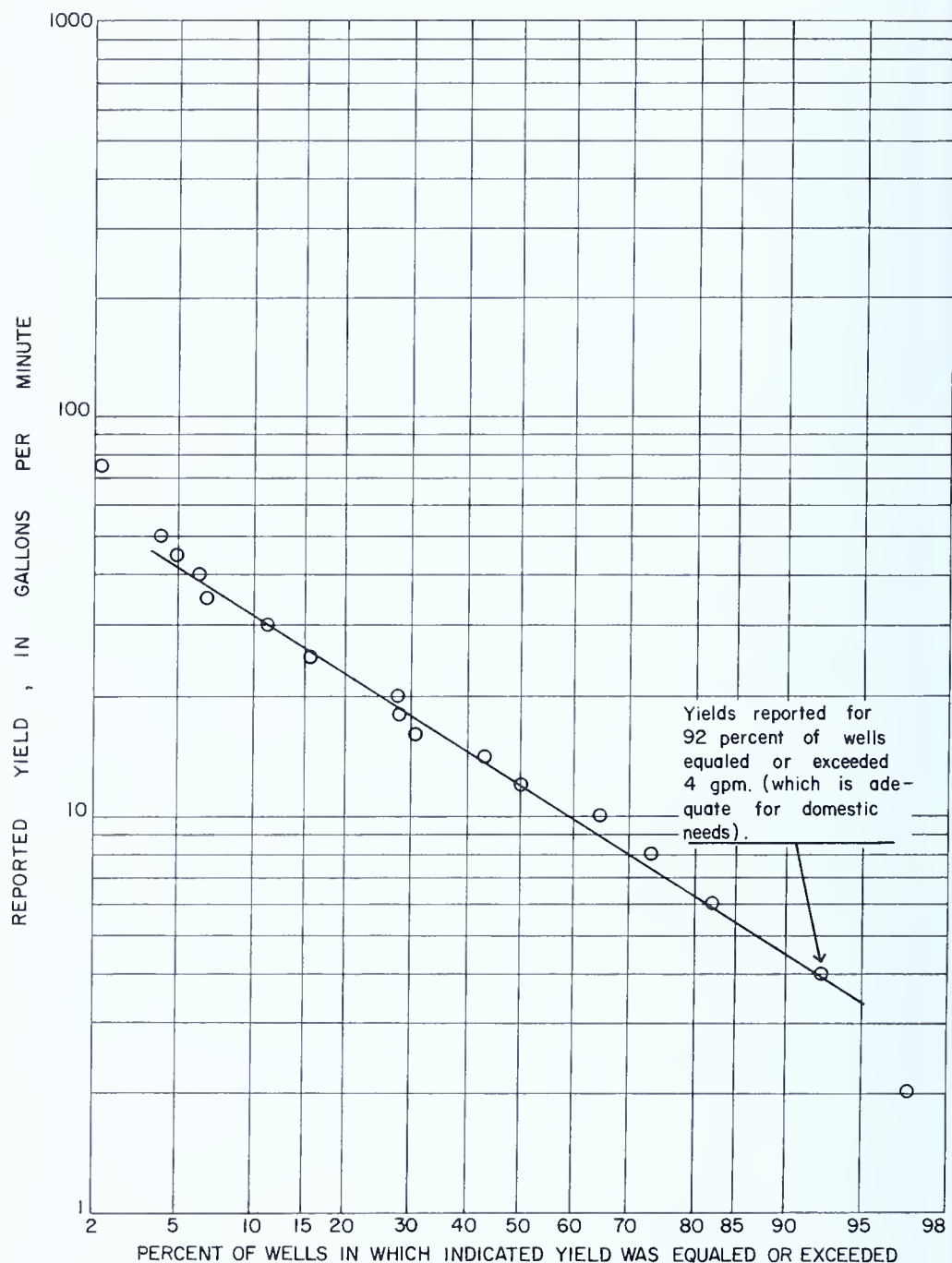


Figure 9. Frequency graph of yields reported for 534 wells.

(100 gpm or more) from a well drilled at a randomly selected site in any formation are poor.

In the following sections, yield data are evaluated to determine the effects of such factors as rock type, topographic position, and well depth on well yields. The yield data used include only those obtained from depth on well yields. The yield data used include only those obtained from controlled pumping tests, from which the specific capacities could be determined.



### Specific Capacity Data

The yields of wells can be given more comparability through the use of specific capacities, which are commonly expressed as the yield in gallons per minute per foot of drawdown (gpm per ft) for a stated period and rate of pumping. The period of pumping is stated because water levels usually continue to decline as the test lengthens, causing specific capacity values to decline accordingly. The rate of pumping is stated because specific capacities measured at different rates of pumping over the same interval of time may differ significantly as a result of (1) a decrease in well efficiency at higher pumping rates, or (2) the pumping level being lowered below yielding zones.

Most of the specific capacity data used for this report were computed from tests of about the same duration; hence, variations in specific capacity due to differing pumping times are minimal. Furthermore, most of the pumping tests were made at low rates of discharge, such as are produced by the pumps in most domestic wells; thus, drawdown effects related to decreases in well efficiency and the lowering of pumping levels below yielding zones should also be minimal. The specific capacities obtained for most of the wells, therefore, should be the highest values obtainable from them for the stated duration of testing.

Table 8 lists specific capacities of 79 wells. All but eight of the values were determined from short-term pumping tests made by the author, using either the installed pump or a portable submersible pump. Most of the tests were made for a period of 1 hour and at pumping rates that ranged from 3 to 25 gpm. A few tests made with the owner's pump were pumped for less than 1 hour when drawdown rates were excessive. Where possible, specific capacities of these wells were estimated for a 1-hour pumping period by extrapolating the drawdown. The eight values which were determined from tests other than those made by the author represent the only specific-capacity data obtained from other wells for which controlled pumping-test data were available.

The specific capacities range from less than 0.1 gpm per ft to 63 gpm per ft and the median is 0.55 gpm per ft. About 12 percent of the wells have specific capacities of 0.1 or less and 10 percent have specific capacities of 3.0 or more.

For most of the 1-hour pumping tests, drawdown rates remained relatively high at the end of the test. If the wells had been pumped for periods of 24 hours or more, the specific capacities of most of these wells would have been considerably smaller—perhaps only half as much as was measured. Even so, the specific capacities obtained are generally low, indicating that the permeability of the first 100 feet or so of the bedrock—the average depth of the wells tested—is also low.

No consistent relation exists between these short-term specific capacities and the potential yield of wells, but the highest yields generally are obtain-

Table 8.—Summary of specific-capacity data used to evaluate the affects of lithology, topography, and depth on well yield

Well number	Formation	Member	Topography	Depth of well (feet)	Diameter of casing (inches)	Depth of casing (feet)	Depth to static water level (feet)	Drawdown (feet)	Rate of pumping (gpm.)	Specific capacity (gpm per ft)	Length of test (minutes)	Date of test
Cumberland County												
Cu-154	Martinsburg	—	Valley	70	6	70	7.8	10.2	3.9	0.36	60	Mar. 1966
155	do.	—	Hillside	166	6	—	19.0	16.2	10.2	.63	60	July 1965
156	do.	—	Valley	107	6	20	13.4	5.1	6.2	1.21	60	May 1966
157	do.	—	Hillside	71	6	16	18.1	33.1	6.2	.19	60	July 1965
170	do.	—	do.	60	6	—	3.8	2.8	8.5	3.0	60	May 1966
178	do.	—	Valley	65	6	20	1.8	14.8	5.0	< .3	6	May 1966
Juniata County												
Ju- 17	Wills Creek	—	Valley	263	8	57	29	78	85	*1.1	2,880	—
18	do.	—	do.	454	8	18	18.2	64.0	8.8	.14	60	Oct. 1964
71	Mifflintown and Rose Hill	Keefer	Hillside	472	8	—	69.5	72.0	8.2	.11	60	—
72	Wills Creek	Upper	Valley	210	8	17	11	64	80	*1.25	1,920	—
73	Tonoloway	—	do.	504	8	—	15	160	75	a.5	—	1939
75	Wills Creek	Lower	Hillside	92	6	60	6.0	5.8	22.2	3.86	180	Dec. 1964
86	Marcellus	Turkey Ridge	Valley	110	6	30	21.0	22.2	5.3	.23	60	Sept. 1964
96	Bloomsburg	—	Hillside	248	6	—	31.3	24.9	17.2	0.69	60	June 1965
97	do.	—	do.	225	6	—	30.2	15.3	8.7	.57	60	June 1965
160	Mifflintown	—	Valley	350	8	25	2.3	35.8	10.9	b.1	24	Aug. 1965
189	do.	McKenzie-Rochester	Hillside	57	6	20	14.0	19.0	6.8	.34	60	Aug. 1965
206	Keyser	—	Valley	59	6	26	17.7	7.0	3.0	b.4	6	Aug. 1965

[illegible]

## Mifflin County

[illegible]

## Perry County

Pc-65	Wills Creek	Lower	Valley	247	6	18	15	4	160	*40	—
72	Rose Hill	—	Hillside	178	6	36	60	30	20	a, 67	Aug. 1959
74	do.	—	Valley	169	6	5	20	100	36	a, 36	—
83	Tonoloway	—	Hillside	92	6	40	13.8	27.2	4.8	.18	July 1965

Table 8.—Summary of specific-capacity data used to evaluate the affects of lithology, topography, and depth on well yield—Continued

Well number	Formation	Member	Topography	Depth of well (feet)	Diameter of casing (inches)	Depth of casing (feet)	Depth to static water level (feet)	Drawdown (feet)	Rate of pumping (gpm)	Specific capacity (gpm per ft)	Length of test (minutes)	Date of test
113	Wills Creek	Lower	Valley	80	6	35	15.0	18	7.4	.41	60	July 1966
116	Bloomsburg	—	Hillside	95	6	39	22.3	13.8	5	<sup>b</sup> .33	30	July 1965
146	Tonoloway	—	Valley	75	6	50	16.1	3.5	7.7	2.15	60	June 1965
202	Wills Creek	Lower	do.	112	6	35	20.4	15.9	6.7	.42	60	Sept. 1966
205	do.	do.	Hillside	85	6	37	32.2	9.5	7.5	.79	60	July 1965
211	Montebello	—	do.	70	6	40	24.4	18.1	20.2	.84	60	June 1965
219	Bloomsburg	—	Valley	55	6	23	8.2	7.2	4.9	.68	60	July 1965
222	Wills Creek	Upper	do.	124	4	21	14.80	13.6	9.3	.68	60	July 1965
230	Tonoloway	—	do.	170	6	20	10.1	17.9	6.1	.34	60	July 1965
235	Bloomsburg	—	Hilltop	165	6	20	45.6	32.7	2.8	< <sup>b</sup> .1	20	Aug. 1965
238	Marcellus	Shamokin	Valley	46	6	17	3.6	19.1	10.7	.56	60	Aug. 1965
241	Helderberg	—	Hillside	150	6	50	114.7	6.7	3	< <sup>b</sup> .1	8	Aug. 1965
244	Rush	—	Valley	47	6	—	6.5	14.9	8.3	.55	60	July 1965
255	Marcellus	Turkey Ridge	Draw	123	6	30	30.8	29.4	9.1	.31	60	July 1965
307	Rose Hill	—	Hillside	139	6	68	26.0	38.6	5.9	.15	30	Aug. 1965
338	Sherman Ridge	—	Valley	81	6	—	14.9	53.4	4.1	< <sup>b</sup> .1	20	July 1956
348	Wills Creek	Upper	Hillside	212	8	31	35	116.7	42.4	<sup>a</sup> .36	360	July 1952
396	do.	Lower	do.	141	6	45	70	10.7	4.8	.44	60	Sept. 1965
404	Tonoloway	—	Valley	58	6	—	29.6	14.2	11.9	.84	60	April 1966
405	Wills Creek	Upper	do.	75	6	21	20.0	.7	8.0	12.2	60	April 1966
408	Marcellus	Shamokin	Hillside	97	6	40	44.2	2.1	5.1	2.47	60	April 1966
409	Bloomsburg	—	Valley	97	6	45	4.7	11.4	25.2	2.20	60	April 1966
410	Marcellus	Shamokin	do.	65	6	19	10.4	12.8	23.7	1.84	60	May 1966

411	Wills Creek	Lower	Hillside	495	6	85	68.9	18.2	21.7	1.19	60	May 1966
413	do.	do.	Draw	140	6	68	86.3	4.4	8.4	1.90	60	June 1966
415	Bloomsburg	—	Hillside	120	6	20	34.0	31.7	4.5	< <sup>b</sup> .1	24	June 1966
417	Wills Creek	Upper	do.	81	6	40	23.8	7.5	11.7	1.57	60	May 1966
418	Wills Creek	Upper	Valley	105	6	43	41.3	13.0	5.8	1.93	60	June 1966
421	Montebello	—	Hillside	199	6	88	63.5	31.8	8.0	.25	60	June 1966
422	Bloomsburg	—	Valley	78	6	37	11.2	18.5	24.5	1.33	60	June 1966
424	Montebello	—	Draw	125	6	34	35.5	37	20	< <sup>b</sup> .3	6	June 1966
427	Helderberg	—	Valley	47	6	21	15.8	.8	25.3	31.2	60	June 1966
428	Marcellus	Shamokin	do.	63	6	30	23.4	14.3	7.4	.52	60	June 1966
431	Bloomsburg	—	Draw	223	6	27	24.0	32.5	9.0	.28	60	Aug. 1966
432	Rose Hill	—	Hillside	230	6	38	65.6	29.9	6.0	.20	60	Aug. 1966
457	Bloomsburg	—	Valley	70	6	59	22.9	1.6	12.3	7.74	60	July 1966
466	Wills Creek	Lower	Valley	300	6	38	20.5	28.4	21.7	.76	60	June 1967

<sup>a</sup> Calculated from data reported for controlled pumping test.<sup>b</sup> Determined by extrapolating drawdown to one hour.



able from those wells having the highest specific capacities. The number depth, and relative contribution of yielding zones generally are not the same for any two non-adjacent wells. Accordingly, wells of equal depth, in which the depth to water is the same, may have equal short-term specific capacities but different yields at maximum available drawdowns.

Because of the areal variations in the permeability of fractured-rock aquifers, specific-capacity data tend to be erratic also. Frequency graphs are used to facilitate comparison of the inconsistent specific-capacity data obtained for wells in different rock types, of different depths, and in different topographic settings. Plots of specific-capacity data on frequency graphs illustrate differences in aquifer characteristics that may not be readily apparent from an inspection of the tabulated data. The slope of lines fitted to data plots for wells of equal depth, in a single rock unit indicate the degree of variability in bedrock permeability. The steeper the slope, the greater the variability in permeability. The relative positions of two or more frequency curves may also provide a measure of the relative permeabilities of one or more rock types. The higher the position of the curve, the higher will be the average permeability of the rock type being considered.

#### Relation of Well Yield to Rock Type

Not enough specific-capacity data were available to permit statistical comparison of the water-yielding properties of wells in each rock type. Therefore, the data were combined into three groups consisting of data from wells in rock units composed dominantly of (1) limestone and calcareous shale; (2) non-calcareous shale (or interbedded non-calcareous shale and sandstone); and (3) sandstone.

Calcareous shale is represented solely by data from wells in the Wills Creek Formation. Separate frequency curves were prepared for wells in units composed dominantly of shale and for wells in units composed dominantly of interbedded shale and sandstone. However, the curves were so similar that the data were combined to give a single curve.

The frequency curves shown in Figure 10 indicate that the chances of obtaining a given specific capacity from a well drilled at a site selected at random are greatest when the well is in limestone and calcareous shale units and least when it is in sandstone units. For example, the curves indicate that a specific capacity of 1.0 gpm per ft is obtainable from about 48 percent of the wells drilled in calcareous rock units, from about 27 percent of the wells drilled in non-calcareous shale and interbedded sandstone and shale units, and from about 12 percent of the wells drilled in sandstone units.

The steep slopes of the frequency curves is an indication of the relatively wide range in permeability that exists in all rock types. The steep break in slope of the curve for specific capacities of wells in calcareous rock units is caused by a few wells in valleys that tap large solution openings.

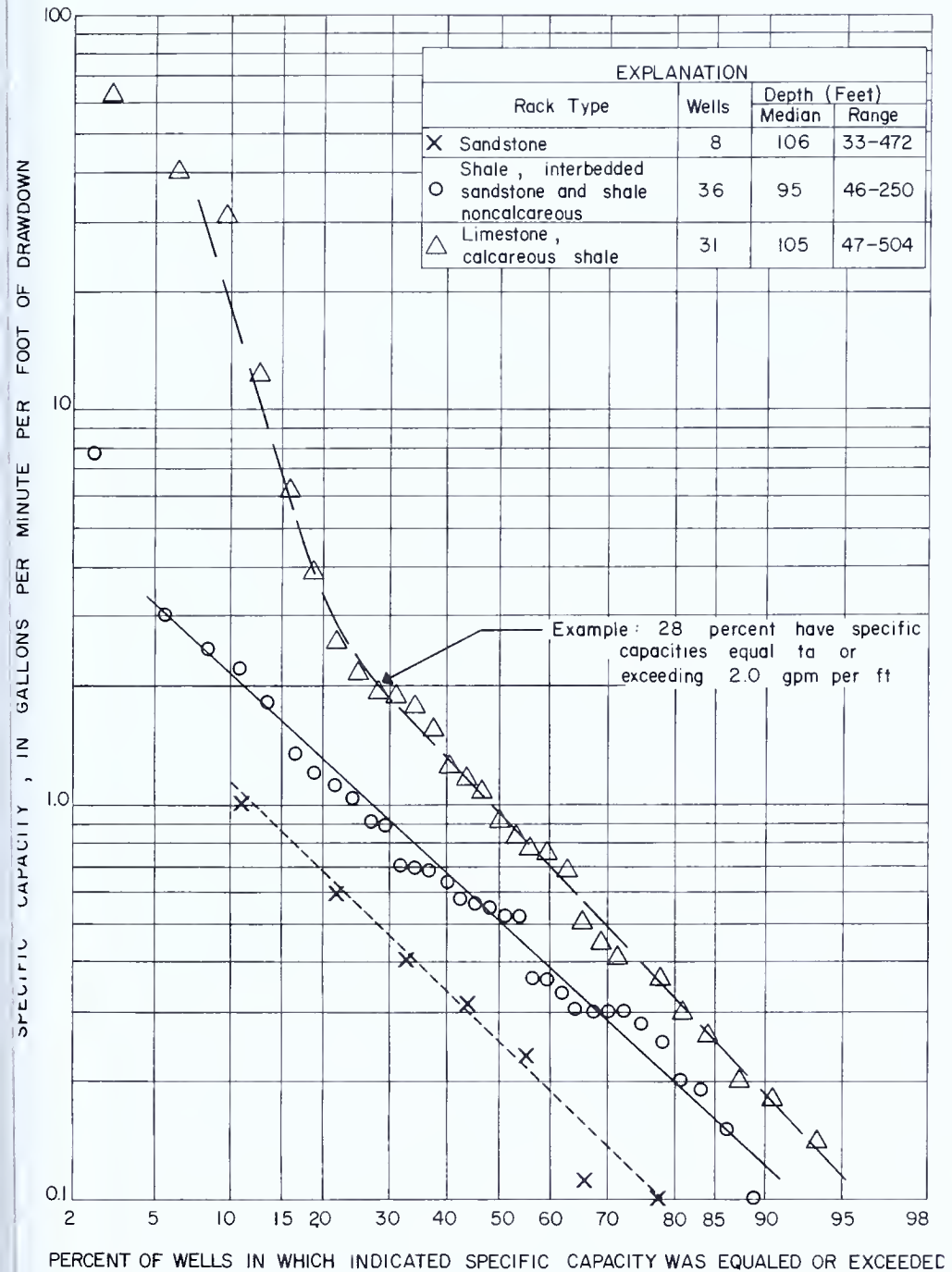


Figure 10. Specific-capacity frequency graph for wells in several rock types.

### Relation of Well Yield To Topography

Studies of several areas that are underlain by consolidated bedrock have shown that the average yield of wells in valleys is higher than that of wells at topographically higher positions (LeGrand, 1949; Mundorff, 1948; Dingman and Mcyer, 1954; Poth, 1968). This relation indicates, of course, that the average permeability of the bedrock beneath valleys is higher than that beneath hillsides and hilltops. Where permeability differences related to topographic position occur in areas underlain by the same or similar rock types, the differences may be related to differences in the volume of water that passes through the rocks. As ground water moves from drainage divides toward streams, the volume of water increases because of the addition of recharge from precipitation; thus, a progressively larger volume of water must pass through the same—or even smaller—volume of rock as the ground water approaches the stream. The flow of large volumes of water through the rock underlying valleys probably causes greater solution and removal of rock material from fracture surfaces in the valleys than in the highlands, thereby increasing the permeability of the bedrock in the valleys.

An examination of the specific-capacity data collected from wells in similar rock types shows that the specific capacities of wells in valleys and draws are generally higher than those of wells on hillsides and hilltops. Moreover, unusually high specific capacities were obtained only in valley wells. The relation between the topographic location and yield per foot of drawdown of wells is shown in Figure 11. Data from wells in sandstone were too few to be considered separately and, therefore, were combined with data from wells in interbedded non-calcareous shale and sandstone.

The graph shows, for example, that about one out of two (55 percent) wells in valleys and draws underlain by calcareous shale and limestones have a specific capacity of 1.0 gpm per ft, or more; whereas, only one out of three (33 percent) wells on hillsides and hilltops underlain by these rock types have a specific capacity of 1.0 or more. Extending the comparison to hillside and hilltop wells in non-calcareous shales and sandstone, it can be seen that only one out of six (16 percent) wells in this group have a specific capacity of 1.0 or more.

The comparatively steep slopes of the averaged frequency distributions indicate that wide variations in specific capacities of wells can be expected, regardless of the topographic position of the well.

Valleys are favorable areas for drilling wells because of the high average bedrock permeabilities, and because of the potential for obtaining induced recharge from streams. If the hydraulic connection between a well and a stream is good, the recharge induced will reduce drawdown due to pumping and, thus, help sustain the yield of the well.

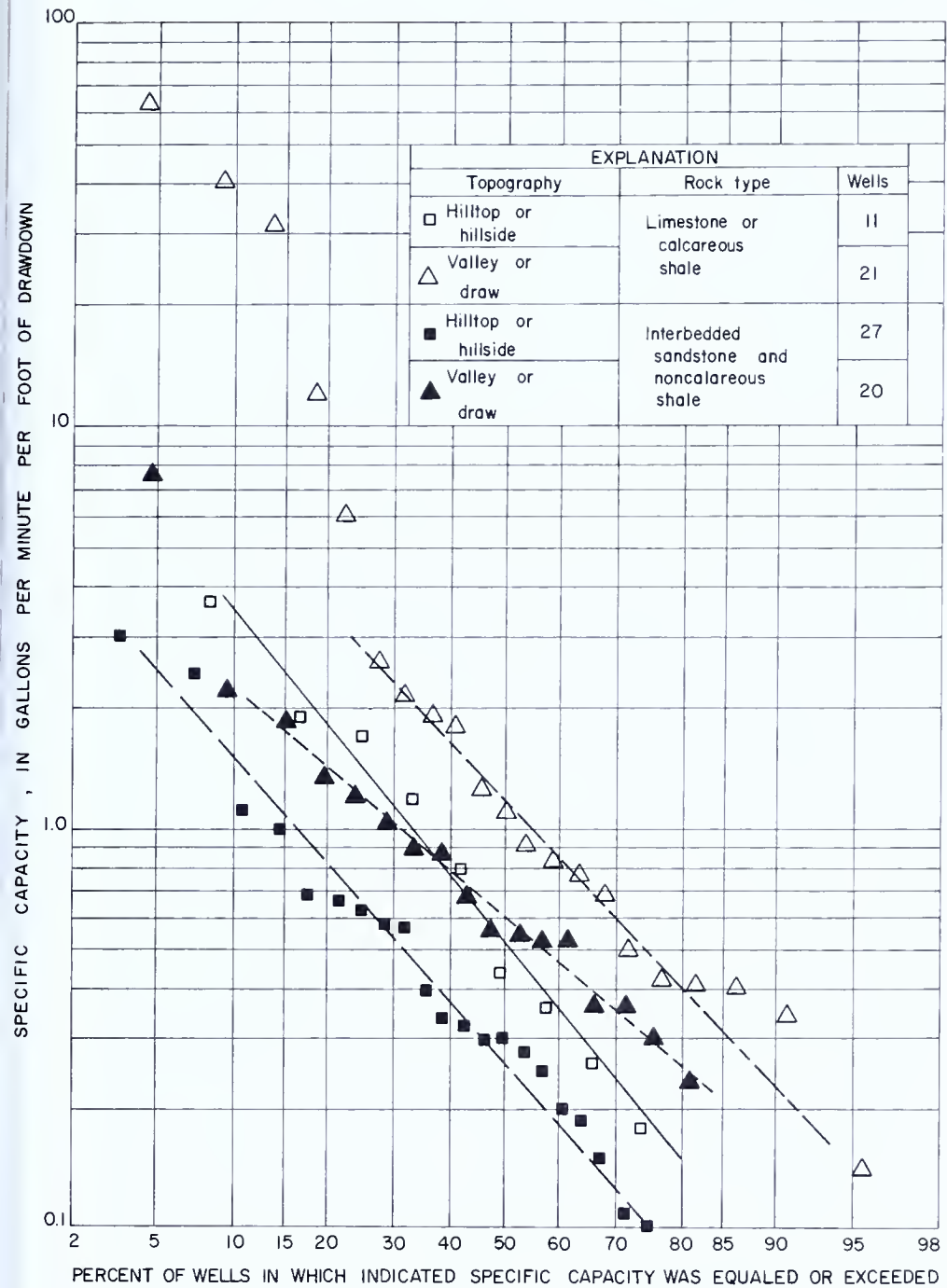


Figure 11. Specific-capacity frequency graph for wells at different topographic locations in calcareous and non-calcareous rocks.

### Relation of Well Yield to Depth

Fracture permeability is unevenly distributed, both vertically and horizontally, in most fractured-rock aquifers. As a result, closely-spaced wells of equal depth may have very different yields. Fracture permeability also decreases at depth, as the size and number of openings decrease, and below some depth, the bedrock will yield little or no additional water to wells.

The depth at which bedrock in the Loysville and Mifflintown quadrangles will yield little or no water to wells is not known. However, data from a few wells suggest that most of the yield obtainable from wells may be expected to come from depths less than 200 feet.

Measurements of the drilling discharge made at different depths during construction of well Ju-283 indicate that 90 percent of the yield enters above a depth of 200 feet. This well, which will yield in excess of 200 gpm, is 375 feet deep and penetrates limestone of the Tonoloway Formation. Measurements of the borehole flow, made over different intervals of depth, in wells Mf-152, Pe-411, and Pe-466, which are 250, 495, and 300 feet deep, respectively, indicate that most of the water enters these wells at depths of less than 200 feet. In well Mf-152, which penetrates non-calcareous shale of the Reedsville Formation, borehole-flow measurements indicate that little or no water enters below a depth of about 150 feet. In well Pe-411, which penetrates calcareous shale of the Wills Creek Formation, 90 percent of the yield enters above a depth of 200 feet; little or no water enters in the depth interval between 300 and 495 feet. In test well Pe-466, about 75 percent of the yield enters above a depth of 200 feet. Flow measurements made in well Pe-466 under non-pumping conditions showed that water entered from several zones below a depth of 75 feet, moved downward, and left the well at a depth of about 265 feet. Maximum outflow at the thieving zone amounts to about 1 gpm.

Borehole-flow measurements were made by the brine tracing method described by Patten and Bennet (1962, p. C2). The method involves the introduction of brine slugs into a well at one or more depths and tracing their rate and direction of movement by means of a fluid conductivity instrument suspended in the well on a depth-calibrated cable.

Examination of reported-yield data available for 53 wells more than 200 feet deep shows that 26 (or about half) yield 10 gpm or less, and that only 6 yield more than 50 gpm. One of these six wells is test well Ju-283. Half of the wells penetrate limestone or calcareous shale, and although the yields of these wells are generally somewhat greater than those of wells in non-calcareous shale and sandstone units, one-third of them yield 10 gpm or less. The failure of several deep wells to obtain yields of more than a few gallons per minute indicates that there are places where the rock is relatively impermeable from the surface downward.



The deepest water well in the study area is Sn-89, which is 870 feet deep and reportedly yields about 30 gpm. Well Sn-90, which is approximately 50 feet from well Sn-89, is 412 feet deep and reportedly yields 10 gpm. Well Sn-91, which is about 150 feet from Sn-89, is reported to yield 100 gpm and is 315 feet deep. All three wells penetrate shale and sandstone of the Bloomsburg Formation near the community of McClure. Wells Sn-89 and Sn-91 supply water to this community; Sn-90 is not used.

The deepest well in the project area is a now-sealed gas test well (Ju-105) that was drilled to a depth of 10,036 feet on Shale Mountain, in the Mifflintown quadrangle. The well starts in the Late Ordovician shale of the Reedsville Formation and ends in carbonate rocks of Middle to Early Ordovician age. Information obtained from Donald Robertson of Shell Oil Company (1967, oral commun.) indicates that the well was cased to a depth of 1,215 feet to prevent the inflow of about 35 gpm of fresh water. The depths at which water entered the well are not known. Little or no fresh water entered the open borehole below the casing. Salt water was encountered at a depth of 9,040 feet.

Frequency curves of specific-capacity data for wells of three depth ranges is shown in Figure 12. The relative positions of the curves indicate that the specific capacities of the wells sampled are generally higher for wells less than 100 feet deep than they are for deeper wells. The data are obviously biased, because in any large group of randomly located wells drilled to random depths selected in advance of drilling, the deep wells should have specific capacities at least equal to those of the shallow wells. Wells samples for this study may be considered to be randomly located, but many of them were drilled only as deep as was necessary to obtain a yield adequate for domestic or farm needs. Hence, the low specific capacities of several of the deeper wells represent values for wells that were drilled to greater than average depths in an attempt to obtain yields approximating those that were obtained at shallower depths in most wells. That is to say, the low specific capacities in many of the deep wells are representative of rocks having lower-than-average permeability.

The data collected for this study suggest that the chances of obtaining substantial yields from wells are greatest at depths of less than 200 feet. Some water is likely to be obtained at depths of 400 feet or more, but the percentage of wells that will yield significant quantities of water from such depths is likely to be small. When a well that has been drilled to a depth of 200 feet has yielded no more than a few gallons per minute, it generally is advisable to drill at a new site rather than drill deeper. The new site preferably should be where the new well will penetrate a different sequence of beds. Different beds generally will be penetrated if the new well is drilled northwest or southeast of the unsuccessful well. That is, across the general trend of the bedding. The distance that it would be necessary to move, in

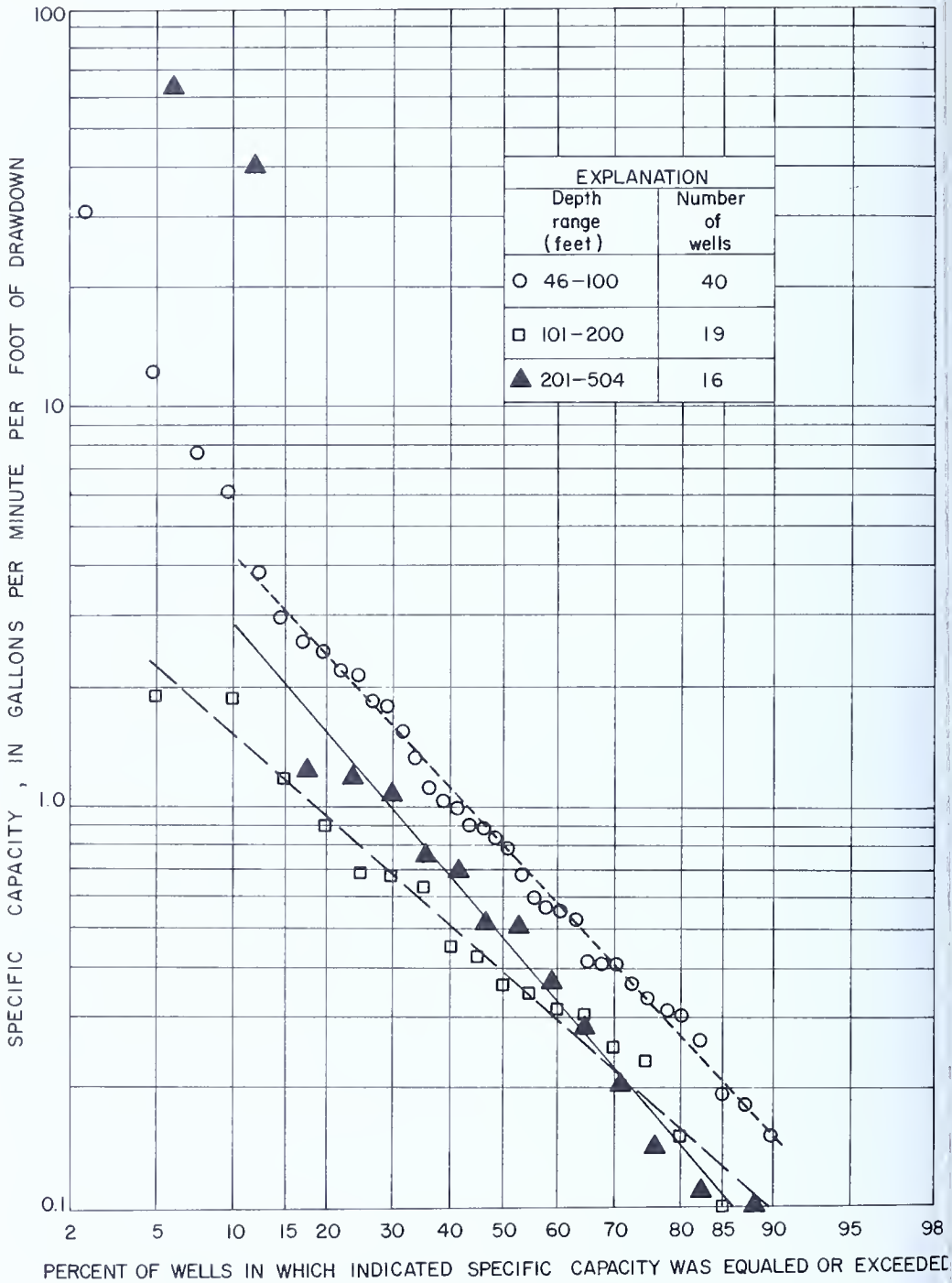


Figure 12. Specific-capacity frequency graph for wells in three depth classes.

order to penetrate an entirely new sequence of beds, can be determined from the dip and strike symbols on the maps accompanying this report. (Plates 1 and 2)

## WATER-YIELDING POTENTIAL OF ROCK UNITS

Rock units shown on the maps of the Loysville and Mifflintown quadrangles (Plates 1 and 2) have been assigned to one of three general categories (good, fair, or poor) depending on their relative potential for yielding water to wells. Assignments were based in part on specific-capacity and reported well-yield data and in part on topographic and lithologic considerations. Specific-capacity and yield data were sparse for some units so that their assignments to one of the three categories was based primarily on their dominant rock type and topographic position. Formations for which few data were obtainable include the Bald Eagle, Juniata, and Tuscarora Formations—which underlie the crests and steepest slopes of the principal mountains—and the Rush, Fort Littleton, and Catskill Formations, which underlie sparsely inhabited areas.

Yields adequate for domestic needs (3 gpm or more) can be obtained from all formations, generally from wells between 50 and 150 feet deep. Yields of 3 to 5 gpm are obtainable at these depths even on crests and steep slopes of ridges, although somewhat deeper wells may be required where the bedrock is composed of calcareous rock units.

Rock units rated as having good potential for yielding water to wells comprise the dominantly calcareous units of Late Silurian and Early Devonian age. Included in this group are the Wills Creek, Tonoloway, Keyser, Oriskany, Helderberg, Old Port, and Onondaga Formations. Maximum sustained yields obtainable from these units probably are on the order of 300 to 400 gpm, although a few wells, such as test well Ju-283, that tap solution openings in limestone may be capable of sustaining greater yields. Estimates of potential yield based on frequency graphs of specific capacity data indicate that about 25 percent of the wells drilled to depths of at least 200 feet in valleys in these units may be expected to sustain yields of 86 gpm, or more.

The Wills Creek and Tonoloway Formations are potentially the most important aquifers in the study area. These units underlie considerably more valley area than do other calcareous rock units. The Keyser, Oriskany, Helderberg, and Old Port Formations underlie minor ridges and relatively steep slopes throughout much of the study area, which reduces their potential. Even so, the frequency graphs in Figure 11 indicate that the probability of obtaining a given specific capacity is about the same for wells on hillsides in calcareous rock units as for valley wells in non-calcareous rock units.

Rock units rated as having fair yielding potential to wells include most of the units composed dominantly of non-calcareous shales and interbedded sandstones and shales that do not underlie steep slopes and crests of mountains. Included in this group are the Catskill, Fort Littleton, Rush, and Sherman Ridge Formations, the Mahanoy and Shamokin members of the Marcellus Formation, and the Bloomsburg, Reedsville, and Martinsburg

Formations. Maximum sustained yields obtainable from wells in valleys in these units are probably on the order of 100 to 150 gpm. Estimates of potential yield, as based on specific-capacity frequency graphs, indicates that about 25 percent of the wells drilled in these units to depths of at least 200 feet in valleys may be expected to sustain yields of about 38 gpm, or more. About half of the wells drilled in valleys may be expected to sustain yields of about 18 gpm, or more.

Rock units rated as having poor potential for yielding water to wells include the Turkey Ridge member of the Marcellus Formation, the Montebello, Mifflintown, Rose Hill, Tuscarora, and Bald Eagle Formations. Most of these units underlie the crests and upper slopes of the principal mountains and ridges. Except for the Mifflintown Formation, which consists in part of limestone, these units are composed of non-calcareous sandstones and shales. The Keefer member of the Mifflintown Formation is a tough quartzitic sandstone which yields little water to wells. Maximum yields obtainable from wells in these units are probably on the order of 50 gpm in areas where these units are in the valleys of perennial streams.

### HYDROLOGIC SIGNIFICANCE OF FRACTURE TRACES

It was noted in the section on geologic structure that fracture traces appear to be surface expressions of nearly vertical structural features—possibly zones of closely spaced fractures—in the underlying bedrock. It seems reasonable to assume, therefore, that wells drilled on these features might encounter zones of above-average permeability. Conclusive evidence to support this contention is not yet available. However, the exceptionally high yields of some wells drilled on or near fracture traces in carbonate rocks suggest that fracture traces may be very useful prospecting guides in this type of rock.

The specific capacities of 11 wells drilled on or near fracture traces in the carbonate rocks of the Nittany Valley in central Pennsylvania were found to be markedly higher than those of wells drilled between fracture-trace areas (Lattman and Parizek, 1964). The wells had specific capacities ranging from 1.8 to 236 gpm per ft, and eight of the wells had specific capacities greater than 10 gpm per ft after having been pumped for several hours at rates ranging from 458 to 1,650 gpm. The lowest specific capacities were determined for wells drilled on fracture traces on hillsides; the highest values were determined for wells in fracture traces in valley bottoms.

For the carbonate rocks of the Lebanon Valley in southeastern Pennsylvania, on the other hand, Meisler (1963, p. 33) found no relation between specific capacities and the location of wells with respect to fracture traces. Although his data include specific capacity tests for nearly 100 wells, none of the wells was intentionally drilled on a fracture trace. It is possible that



lack of correlation resulted from the circumstance that wells considered to be near fracture traces were, in fact, too far from the centerline of the trace to penetrate the fracture zone.

Evidence obtained from one of two test wells that were drilled on fracture traces during the present investigation lend support to the idea that these features may mark zones of high permeability in carbonate rocks. Well Ju-283, which was drilled to a depth of 375 feet on a fracture trace in argillaceous limestone of the Tonoloway Formation, has the highest specific capacity of the 79 wells tested during the study. Its specific capacity at the end of 1 hour's pumping at a rate of 102 gpm was 63 gpm per ft. Only four of the 79 wells tested had specific capacities greater than 10 gpm per ft.

Results obtained from test well Pc-466, which was drilled on a fracture trace in calcareous shale of the Wills Creek Formation, were not so encouraging. The well had a specific capacity of 0.76 gpm per ft after being pumped for 1 hour at a rate of 21.7 gpm, which is about average for wells in this formation.

Further studies are needed to fully determine the hydrologic significance of fracture traces in both carbonate and non-carbonate rocks. However, preliminary results indicate that the fracture-trace technique of locating zones of high bedrock permeability has considerable potential.

Many of the most prominent fracture traces that are visible on areal photographs of the Loysville and Mifflintown quadrangles are located on hillsides or hilltops underlain by carbonate rocks. Wells drilled on these traces, however, are likely to encounter a substantial thickness of highly weathered material and are likely to require more than average amounts of casing. Although wells drilled on these fracture traces may give higher than average yields, deeper water levels and lack of a source of recharge from a nearby stream make such sites less favorable than fracture traces located in valleys drained by a perennial stream.

## WATER QUALITY

The type of mineral matter that becomes dissolved in ground water is determined largely by the composition of the soil and rock through which the water flows between points of recharge and discharge. The amount of mineral matter that becomes dissolved as water moves through the subsurface generally is determined by such factors as the solubility of the soil and rock, the duration of contact, and subsurface temperatures and pressures. Human activities such as on-lot disposal of sewage, the use of fertilizers on croplands, and the accidental spillage or leakage of chemicals also may affect the chemical composition of ground water.

The source and significance of the principal mineral constituents commonly dissolved in ground water are given in Table 9. The dominant cations



Table 9.—Source and significance of dissolved mineral constituents and properties of water

Constituent or property	Source or cause	Significance
Silica ( $\text{SiO}_2$ )	Dissolved from practically all rocks and soils. (Commonly less than 30 mg/l)	Forms hard scale in pipes and boilers; inhibits deterioration of zeolite-type water softeners.
Iron (Fe)	Dissolved from practically all rocks and soils. May also be derived from iron pipes, pumps, and other equipment.	On exposure to air, iron in ground water oxidizes to reddish-brown precipitate. More than about 0.3 mg/l strains laundry and utensils reddish brown. Objectionable for food processing, textile processing, beverages, ice manufacturing, brewing, and other processes. Maximum limit recommended for drinking water is 0.3 mg/l. <sup>1</sup>
Manganese (Mn)	Dissolved from many rocks and soils. Often found associated with iron in natural waters but not as common as iron.	More than 0.2 mg/l precipitates upon oxidation. Manganese has the same undesirable characteristics as iron but is more difficult to remove. Maximum limit recommended for drinking water is 0.05 mg/l.
Calcium (Ca) and Magnesium (Mg)	Dissolved from practically all rocks and soils, especially from limestone, dolomite, gypsum, and their associated soils.	Cause of most of the hardness and scale forming properties of water (see hardness). Water low in calcium and magnesium are desired in electroplating, tanning, dyeing, and in textile manufacturing. Cause scale formation in steam boilers, water heaters, and pipes.
Sodium (Na) and Potassium (K)	Dissolved from practically all rocks and soils. Sewage and industrial wastes are also major sources. Most home water softeners replace soluble hardness-producing minerals with sodium and, thus, increase the amount of sodium present.	Concentrations of less than 50 mg/l have little effect on the usefulness of water for most purposes. More than 50 mg/l may cause foaming in steam boilers.

Bicarbonate ( $\text{HCO}_3$ ) and Carbonate ( $\text{CO}_3$ )	Results from reaction of carbon dioxide in water with carbonate rocks and minerals. Decaying vegetation, sewage, and industrial wastes are also important sources.	Bicarbonate and carbonate produce alkalinity. Bicarbonates of calcium and magnesium decompose in steam boilers and hot water facilities to form scale and release corrosive carbon-dioxide gas. In combination with calcium and magnesium, cause carbonate hardness (see hardness).
Sulfate ( $\text{SO}_4$ )	Dissolved from rocks and soils containing gypsum, iron sulfides, and other sulfur compounds. Commonly present in mine waters, some industrial wastes, and sewage.	Sulfates of calcium and magnesium cause permanent hardness and form a hard scale in steam boilers and hot water pipes (see hardness). The maximum limit recommended for drinking water is 250 mg/l. <sup>1</sup>
Chloride (Cl)	Dissolved from rocks and soils. Relatively large amounts are derived from sewage, industrial wastes, and ancient brines.	In large quantities, increases the corrosiveness of water. Large amounts in combination with sodium will give a salty taste. Maximum limit recommended for drinking water is 250 mg/l. <sup>1</sup>
Fluoride (F)	Dissolved in small to minute quantities from most rocks and soils. Added to some waters by fluoridation of public water supplies	About 1.0 mg/l of fluoride in drinking water is believed to be helpful in reducing the incidence of tooth decay in small children; larger concentrations possibly cause mottling of enamel.
Nitrate ( $\text{NO}_3$ )	Decaying organic matter, sewage, and fertilizers are principal sources.	Small concentrations have no effect on usefulness of water. Most ground waters contain less than 10 mg/l. Waters containing more than 45 mg/l may cause methoglobinemia (an often fatal disease in infants) and, therefore, should not be used in infant feeding. Maximum limit recommended for drinking water is 45 mg/l. <sup>1</sup>
Dissolved solids	Chiefly mineral constituents dissolved from rocks and soils. Concentrations in natural waters may be increased from sewage, fertilizers, industrial wastes, and other man-made sources.	The maximum limit recommended for drinking water is 500 mg/l but water containing up to 1,000 mg/l may be used where less mineralized supplies are unavailable. <sup>1</sup> Waters containing more than 1,000 mg/l are unsuitable for many purposes.

Table 9.—Source and significance of dissolved mineral constituents and properties of water—Continued

Constituent or property	Source or cause	Significance
Hardness (as $\text{CaCO}_3$ )	In most waters nearly all the hardness is due to calcium and magnesium. All of the metallic cations other than the alkali metals, also cause hardness. There are two classes of hardness—carbonate (temporary) and non-carbonate (permanent) hardness. Carbonate hardness refers to the hardness resulting from cations in association with carbonate and bicarbonate; noncarbonate hardness refers to that resulting from cations in association with other anions.	Consumes soap before a lather will form. Deposits soap curds on bathtubs. Hardness causes scale to form in boilers, water heaters, radiators, and pipes, causing a decrease in heat transfer and restricted flow of water. Carbonate hardness can be reduced by water softeners; noncarbonate hardness cannot readily be removed. Waters of hardness up to 60 mg/l are considered soft; 61 to 120 mg/l, moderately hard; 121 to 180 mg/l, hard; more than 180 mg/l, very hard.
Specific conductance (micromhos at 25° C)	Mineral content of water.	Specific conductance is a measure of the capacity of the water to conduct an electric current. It varies with concentration and degree of ionization of the constituents. May be used to obtain a rapid determination of the approximate dissolved-solids content of water.
Hydrogen-ion concentration (pH)	Water with a dominance of acids, acid-generating salts, and free carbon dioxide has a low pH. If carbonates, bicarbonates, hydroxides, phosphates, and silicates are dominant, the pH is high. (The pH of most natural waters ranges between 6 and 8.)	A pH of 7.0 indicates neutrality of a solution. Values higher than 7.0 denote increasing alkalinity; values lower than 7.0 indicate increasing acidity. pH is a measure of the activity of the hydrogen ions. Corrosiveness of water generally increases with decreasing pH. However, excessively alkaline waters may also attack metals.
Alkyl benzene sulfonate (ABS)	The principal sources of ABS are synthetic household-detergent residues in sewage and waste waters.	High concentrations of ABS cause undesirable taste, foaming, and odors. Presence of ABS in ground-water supplies may indicate bacterial pollution. The maximum limit recommended for drinking water is 0.5 mg/l. <sup>1</sup>

(positively charged ions) present in ground water from the Loysville and Mifflintown quadrangles are calcium and magnesium; the dominant anion (negatively charged ion) is generally bicarbonate. Sulfate is the dominant anion in water from a few wells in the Tonoloway and Wills Creek Formations. These wells apparently tap beds containing gypsum or other highly soluble sulfate minerals.

Evaluation of the quality of ground water in the Loysville and Mifflintown quadrangles is based on a study of (1) chemical analyses of water from 34 wells, as listed in Table 10; (2) field values of hardness and specific conductance that were determined at more than 300 wells, iron determined at 41 wells; and (3) laboratory determinations of nitrate and chloride and field determinations of bacterial content of water samples collected from 22 wells in and near the unsewered communities of Landisburg, Loysville, and Ickesburg.

Ground water in the Loysville and Mifflintown quadrangles generally is of good chemical quality. The water commonly contains low to moderate amounts of dissolved solids, and—except for bothersome concentrations of iron, hydrogen sulfide gas, and hardness in some localities—contains no constituents that significantly impair its use for most purposes. Water from calcareous shales and limestones of Late Silurian and Early Ordovician age generally has a dissolved-solids content of 200 to 300 mg/l (milligrams per liter) and is usually very hard. (See Table 9 for description of hardness.) Water from the predominantly noncalcareous shales, siltstones, and sandstones generally has a dissolved-solids content of 100 to 200 mg/l and is soft to moderately hard.

Alteration of the natural chemical quality of ground water by man has been minimal. A few wells have been contaminated by gasoline or fuel oil that has leaked from buried storage tanks. Small to moderate quantities of nitrate, chloride, and other constituents derived from sewage have been added to ground water in the vicinity of most cesspools and septic-tank drain fields. Small quantities of nitrate, chloride and other constituents have been added to the ground water from fertilizers spread on eroplans. Some wells are known to be bacterially contaminated, particularly shallow hand dug wells, but no widespread problems of bacterial contamination are known to exist.

A comparison of minimum, median, and maximum concentration of chemical constituents in water from predominantly calcareous and non-calcareous rock units is shown in Table 11. These data indicate that the waters from different aquifers differ mainly in the amount of hardness-forming constituents present. The median calcium-magnesium hardness (the equivalent of total hardness) of water from units composed predominantly of calcareous shale and limestone is 218 mg/l is compared to a median of only 72 mg/l for water from units composed predominantly of

Table 10.—Chemical analyses of ground water  
(Results in milligrams per liter, except as indicated)

Aquifer: Df, Fort Little on Formation, Df, Rush Formation; Ds, Sherman Ridge Formation; Dmh, Mahantango Formation; Dmm, Marcellus Formation, Mahanoy Member; Dmt, Marcellus Formation, Turkey Ridge Member; Don, Onondaga Formation; Sk, Keyser Formation; Sto, Tomoloway Formation; Swl, Willis Creek Formation, upper member; Swl, Willis Creek Formation, lower member; Sb, Bloomsburg Formation; Smm, Mifflintown Formation, McKenzie and Rochester Members, undivided; Or, Reedsville Formation; Om, Martinsburg Formation.

Well number	Aquifer	Date of collection	Temperature (F)	Silica (SiO <sub>2</sub> )	Total iron (Fe)	Total manganese (Mn)	Calcium (Ca)	Magnesium (Mg)	Sodium (Na)	Potassium (K)	Bicarbonate (HCO <sub>3</sub> )	Sulfate (SO <sub>4</sub> )	Chloride (Cl)	Fluoride (F)	Nitrate (NO <sub>3</sub> )	Dissolved solids (residue at 180° C)	Hardness as CaCO <sub>3</sub>		Specific conductance (micromhos at 25° C)	pH (lab)	Color	
																	Calcium	Non-carbonate				
Cumberland County																						
Cu-150 <sup>a</sup>	Om	6-26-62	—	—	0.8	0.2	15.2	6.8	—	—	—	0	2.4	—	0	196	66	—	—	—	7.1	25
155	Om	3-22-66	55	23	.11	.18	40	12	8.2	1.6	168	26	1.8	.2	1.0	196	150	12	333	—	7.5	4
Juniata County																						
Ju-11 <sup>b</sup>	Sto	8-20-34	53	12	.04	—	82	25	35	2.2	286	51	61	—	11	429	308	—	—	—	—	—
12 <sup>b</sup>	Sto	8-23-34	53	—	.05	—	94	40	.10	—	433	50	3.0	—	11	421	399	—	—	—	—	—
13 <sup>b</sup>	Sb	8-20-34	54	—	.37	—	86	24	.5	—	308	20	17	—	34	338	313	—	—	—	—	—
72 <sup>d</sup>	Swl	9-14-53	—	—	.1	—	—	—	—	—	341	—	1	—	—	320	300	20	—	—	7.3	0
73 <sup>d</sup>	Sto	6-12-61	—	—	.4	—	—	—	—	—	201	—	2	—	—	280	205	40	—	—	7.8	0
75	Swl	5-19-65	51	7.9	.41	.05	21	4.6	.4	.2	84	2.6	.7	.0	.4	83	72	2	139	6.9	1	5
76 <sup>d</sup>	Swl	7-14-55	76 <sup>d</sup>	—	.1	—	—	—	—	—	96	—	2	—	—	100	80	1	—	6.2	1	5
96	Sb	6-18-65	49	11	.62	.01	27	6.9	6.0	.6	128	4.2	2.2	.0	.5	125	96	0	214	7.5	3	—
105 <sup>a</sup>	for	1964	—	—	—	—	40	21	140	8	250	155	113	—	—	—	186	0	1,030	7.3	—	—
143	Sk	4-18-66	—	7.9	.12	.00	74	7.6	2.5	.5	176	21	11	.1	.44	278	216	72	443	7.5	2	3
232	Smm	4-18-66	52	7.4	.48	.00	55	4.6	1.0	.5	154	10	4.8	.1	.15	192	156	30	319	7.4	3	2
242	Sb	4-20-66	53	8.7	.12	.00	8.0	3.3	1.8	1.2	24	8.2	2.8	.0	.11	71	34	14	93	6.1	2	2



Mifflin County																				
Mf- 54 <sup>b</sup>	Dmt	8-14-34	53	—	.72	—	60	8.5	11	151	68	10	—	.20	232	185	61	—	—	—
106	Sto	4-20-66	—	7.4	.18	.00	66	26	.6	290	38	4.0	.3	5.2	323	272	34	531	7.5	2
134	Dmh	4-20-66	53	12	.17	.03	66	3.3	34	124	8.2	1.6	.3	.4	139	34	0	203	8.0	2
152	Or	12-29-65	49.5	15	.14	.52	26	6.1	7.8	129	1.0	.9	.2	1.0	122	90	0	214	7.2	2
214	Dmm	3-18-66	52	25	.37	.24	50	14	18	218	48	1.1	.2	1.4	265	182	4	427	7.5	2
Perry County																				
Pe- 64 <sup>c</sup>	Swl	1-11-33	—	—	0	—	—	—	—	225	—	14	—	6.0	—	260	75	—	—	7.3
71 <sup>e</sup>	Swu	7-5-32	—	—	0	—	—	—	—	280	—	6	—	0	—	340	110	—	—	7.6
71 <sup>b</sup>	Swu	8-25-34	53	—	.07	—	73	32	5	258	85	4.0	—	9.0	.635	—	—	—	—	—
145	Swu	4-14-66	—	7.6	.10	.00	56	7.4	1.5	168	15	4.4	.1	26	202	170	33	342	7.4	2
146	Sto	4-15-66	51	7.5	.09	.00	69	11	1.2	212	21	4.3	.1	26	248	218	44	341	7.4	2
170	Swl	4-7-66	—	7.5	.09	.00	64	8.4	2.8	178	23	10	.1	24	231	194	48	392	7.9	3
182	Don	4-7-66	—	11	.43	.05	101	15	2.9	1.3	299	55	14	.0	.4	363	314	69	506	7.5
190	Swu	4-14-66	—	4.7	.10	.00	46	6.3	.7	140	12	3.4	.0	.20	108	140	27	275	7.2	2
261	Df	4-15-66	—	16	.13	.00	14	8.8	22	44	4.2	28	.1	.49	168	70	35	268	6.4	2
272	Ds	4-14-66	—	15	.19	.00	24	3.6	4.2	76	18	1.4	.1	1.5	110	75	13	168	6.9	2
283	Dr	4-15-66	—	18	.39	.14	18	4.9	6.2	72	8.2	9.0	.1	.3	103	66	6	164	6.9	2
309	Sr	5-16-66	—	9.3	.78	.31	9.5	5.7	2.6	64	3.4	1.5	.0	.6	74	47	0	112	6.9	2
348 <sup>a</sup>	Swu	8-13-52	—	38	—	—	—	—	—	163	—	—	—	—	—	154	20	—	—	7.6
396	Swl	4-6-66	54	11	.11	.00	74	32	8.8	2.3	284	37	28	.1	26	372	316	84	633	7.3
427	Dhs	6-29-66	52	9.8	.01	.00	42	3.8	.6	141	3.8	1.8	.0	4.0	132	121	5	228	7.7	5
Snyder County																				
Sn- 89 <sup>a</sup>	Sb	3-26-65	—	9.6	.7	—	16	2	—	195	63	32	—	—	300	44	0	—	7.6	5
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Table 11.—Summary of chemical-quality characteristics of ground water from predominantly calcareous and noncalcareous rock units

Constituent or property	Predominantly calcareous rock units <sup>1</sup>			Predominantly noncalcareous rock units <sup>2</sup>			Maximum concentration recommended for drinking water (USPHS, 1962)	
	Concentration <sup>3</sup>			Concentration <sup>3</sup>				
	Number of samples	Minimum	Median	Maximum	Number of samples	Minimum		Median
Silica (SiO <sub>2</sub> )	12	4.7	7.9	38	12	7.4	13	25
Iron (Fe)	18	0	.09	.43	14	.11	.38	.78
Manganese (Mn)	10	.00	.00	.05	12	.00	.08	.52
Calcium (Ca)	13	21	69	101	14	8.0	21	60
Magnesium (Mg)	13	4.6	11	40	14	2	5.9	14
Sodium (Na)	12	.4	2	35	11	1.0	6.2	34
Potassium (K)	11	.2	.8	2.3	11	.3	.7	1.8
Bicarbonate (HCO <sub>3</sub> )	19	84	212	433	13	24	128	218
Sulfate (SO <sub>4</sub> )	13	2.6	23	85	14	0	8.2	68
Chloride (Cl)	18	.7	4.2	61	14	.9	2.3	32
Fluoride (F)	10	.0	.1	.3	11	.0	.1	.3
Nitrate (NO <sub>3</sub> )	15	0	11	44	13	0	1.0	49
Total dissolved solids (residue on evaporation)	16	83	320	429	14	71	153	300
Calcium magnesium hardness as CaCO <sub>3</sub>	19	72	218	399	14	34	72	185
Concarbonate hardness as CaCO <sub>3</sub>	16	1	37	110	13	0	6	61
Specific conductance (micromhos at 25° C)	10	139	367	633	11	93	213	427
pH	16	6.2	7.4	7.9	13	6.1	7.2	8.0

<sup>1</sup> Formation and number of samples: Helderberg (1); Onondaga (1); Keyser (1); Tonoloway (5); Wills Creek (11).<sup>2</sup> Formation and number of samples: Fort Littleton (1); Rush (1); Mahantango (1); Sherman Ridge (1); Marcellus (2); Mifflintown (1); Bloomsburg (3); Rose Hill (1); Reedsville (1); Martinsburg (2).<sup>3</sup> Concentrations in milligrams per liter, except specific conductance and pH.<sup>4</sup> Recommended limits for fluoride vary according to the annual average of maximum daily air temperatures. Recommended upper limits are 0.7 mg/l for temperatures between 50° and 59.7° and 0.8 mg/l in areas where it ranges from 60° to 69.7°.

noncalcareous shales, siltstones, and sandstones. The highest concentrations of iron occur generally in water from the noncalcareous rock units, as is indicated by the median concentration of 0.38 mg/l iron for wells in these units and the median of only 0.09 mg/l for wells in the calcareous rock units. Nitrate, on the other hand, is generally highest in ground water from calcareous rock units. The median nitrate content of water from the calcareous rocks is 11 mg/l compared to a median of only 1 mg/l for noncalcareous rock units.

Comparison of the chemical data in Table 11 with recommended limits for selected constituents in drinking water (U.S. Public Health Service, 1962) indicates that iron in water from noncalcareous rocks is the only constituent that commonly approaches or exceeds the recommended limits. However, nitrate does approach or exceed the recommended limit in a few wells.

### SPECIFIC CONDUCTANCE AND TOTAL DISSOLVED SOLIDS

Specific conductance is a measure of the capacity of a material to conduct an electric current. In relatively dilute solutions, such as the shallow ground water in the study area, specific conductance is proportional to the concentration of ionized constituents. Specific conductance may be used, therefore, as a means of rapidly determining the approximate dissolved-solids content of water samples. The approximate dissolved-solids content, in milligrams per liter, of water from wells in the Loysville and Mifflintown quadrangles may be determined by multiplying the specific conductance values by 0.58. A water having a specific conductance of 100 micromhos, for example, would have a dissolved-solids content of about 58 mg/l.

Specific conductances of water from more than 300 wells are summarized by geologic formation and member in Table 12 and listed for individual wells in Table 6. These data show that the median specific conductances of water from the formations and members composed predominantly of noncalcareous rocks (those units stratigraphically below the Wills Creek Formation and stratigraphically above the Onondaga Formation) range between 90 and 360 micromhos. These values are equivalent to about 50 and 210 mg/l of dissolved solids, respectively. The median specific conductances of water from units composed predominantly of calcareous rocks (those units stratigraphically between and including the Wills Creek and Onondaga Formations) range between 170 and 550 micromhos. These values are equivalent to about 100 and 320 mg/l of dissolved solids, respectively.

The lowest specific conductance for each rock unit is less than 300 micromhos, which indicates that water containing less than 175 mg/l total dissolved solids can be obtained from some wells in each formation.

The maximum recommended limit for dissolved solids in drinking water is 500 mg/l (U.S. Public Health Service, 1962) which is equivalent to a

Table 12.—Field determinations of hardness and specific conductance

Formation	Member	Map symbol	Dominant rock type <sup>1</sup>	Hardness <sup>2</sup> (grains per gallon)			Specific conductance (micromhos at 25° C.) <sup>3</sup>		
				Number of wells	Median	Range	Number of wells	Median	Range
Fort Littleton	Df		ss, sh	8	4	3-9	8	230	160-180
Rush	Dr		sh	6	4	4-7	6	240	185-300
Sherman Ridge	Dms		sh, ss	10	4	3-6	8	190	150-220
Mahantango	Dmh		sh, ss	23	5	2-8	23	225	100-365
Montebello	Dmoo								
	Dmom,								
	Dmot		ss	13	4	1-10	13	150	55-430
	Dm		sh, ss	2	—	8-9	2	—	280-360
Marcellus	Dmm		sh	7	6	5-14	7	270	215-620
	Dmt		ss	12	6	1-9	12	265	100-400
	Dms		sh	9	10	1-11	9	360	80-470
	Don		ls, calc. sh	6	10	5-17	6	480	170-740
Onondaga	Do		ls, ch, ss	9	2	2-6	9	170	55-260
Oriskany	Dor		ss	1	1	—	2	—	45-60

Oriskany and Helderberg	Schiver —	Dhs	ls, ch	4	7	6-9	4	290	260-320
Keyser		Sk, Sky	ls	11	15	6-50	10	430	215-1,050
Wills Creek		Sw	calc. sh	10	9	2-27	10	310	85-840
	Upper	Swu	calc. sh	21	15	4-25	23	550	175-2,100
	Lower	Swl	calc. sh	32	10	1-27	31	400	50-1,075
Bloomsburg		Sb	sh, ss	46	5	1-18	44	230	40-900
Mifflintown		Sm	sh, ls	5	8	3-11	5	310	180-425
	McKenzie and Rochester	Smm	sh, ls	9	7	2-11	9	325	55-460
	Keefer	Smk	ss	3	4	3-4	3	240	100-510
Rose Hill		Sr	sh, ss	10	5	4-20	10	200	165-4,000
Tuscarora		St	ss	3	2	1-5	3	90	40-220
Reedsville and Martinsburg		Or, Om	sh	23	6	1-9	22	220	30-370

<sup>1</sup> Calcareous shale, calc. sh; chert, ch; sandstone, ss; shale, sh; limestone, ls.

<sup>2</sup> Multiplying these values by 17 gives the approximate hardness (as CaCO<sub>3</sub>) in milligrams per liter. Hardness in gpg (grains per gallon) may be classified approximately as follows: soft, 1-3 gpg; moderately hard, 4-7 gpg; hard, 8-11 gpg, vcrly hard, more than 11 gpg.

<sup>3</sup> Multiplying these values by 0.58 gives the approximate concentration of dissolved solids in milligrams per liter.



specific conductance of about 860 micromhos. Only 3 percent of the water samples examined had a specific conductance of 860 or more, and most of these were from limestone of the Tonoloway Formation or from the calcareous shale of the Wills Creek Formation. The high conductances are caused principally by the presence of hardness-forming constituents.

Locally, the dissolved-solids content of ground water undoubtedly has been increased somewhat above natural levels as a result of the addition of chemical constituents derived from sewage effluent, septic tanks and cess-pools, fertilizers spread on croplands, and other man-made sources of contamination.

## HARDNESS

Field determinations of hardness of water from 321 wells are summarized by geologic formation and member in Table 12 and listed for individual wells in Table 6. The determinations were made in grains per gallon (gpg). They may be converted to approximate concentrations of hardness in milligrams per liter by multiplying them by a factor of 17.

Ground water from the predominantly noncalcareous rock units that lie stratigraphically below the Wills Creek Formation and above the Onondaga Formation is generally soft (1 to 3 gpg) to moderately hard (4 to 7 gpg). Ground water from the calcareous shales and limestones that dominate the stratigraphic interval between the Wills Creek and Onondaga Formations is generally hard (8 to 11 gpg) to very hard (more than 11 gpg).

Ground water has a considerable range in hardness in most rock units, particularly those composed of calcareous shale or limestone. Water from wells in the limestone of the Tonoloway Formation, for example, ranged in hardness from 6 to 60 gpg. The range in hardness values shown in Tables 10 and 12 indicates that soft to moderately hard water is obtainable from each formation.

The hardest water generally occurs in the calcareous shales and limestones of the Wills Creek, Tonoloway, and Keyser Formations. Some wells in the Wills Creek and Tonoloway Formations yield excessively hard water that apparently is derived from beds containing gypsum or an other highly-soluble sulfate mineral. For example, field determinations of hardness and sulfate content of water from test well Ju-283, which was drilled in the Tonoloway Formation, indicated that the water had a hardness of 60 gpg and a sulfate content in excess of 800 mg/l.

## IRON AND MANGANESE

Iron and manganese, which resemble each other in chemical behavior, are generally present in ground water in small concentrations. Even in minor concentrations, however, these constituents may have a marked

effect on the utility of water. Individual or combined concentrations of iron and manganese in excess of 0.3 mg/l may cause stains on plumbing fixtures, cooking utensils, and laundry; concentrations greater than 1 mg/l may cause clogging of pumps, water-distribution systems, and plumbing fixtures.

Iron was reported to be present in noticeable or bothersome amounts in many of the rock units studied, but was most commonly reported to be present in water from wells in the noncalcareous shales and sandstones. The rock units for which the most reports of bothersome amounts of iron were received include the Martinsburg Formation (shale and siltstone), the Turkey Ridge Member of the Marcellus Formation (sandstone), and the Mahantango Formation (interbedded sandstone, siltstone, and shale).

Analyses for iron are available for water from 72 wells. Forty-one of the analyses were determined in the field during this study and 15 of them were for wells in the Martinsburg Formation. The concentration of iron in the combined population of laboratory and field determinations ranges from 0.01 to 2.6 mg/l.

Iron in 28 samples of water from the predominantly calcareous rocks, comprising the stratigraphic interval between, and including, the Wills Creek and Onondaga Formations, ranged from 0.01 to 0.8 mg/l and the median concentration was 0.1 mg/l. The limit of 0.3 mg/l recommended for drinking water was exceeded in 8 (29 percent) of the samples.

Iron in 44 samples of water from the predominantly noncalcareous rocks, lying stratigraphically below the Wills Creek Formation and above the Onondaga Formation, ranged from 0.05 to 2.6 mg/l and the median was 0.4 mg/l. Iron exceeded 0.3 mg/l in 25 (57 percent) of the samples, 13 of which were from the Martinsburg Formation.

The iron concentrations present in ground water from the Loysville and Mifflintown quadrangles are not excessive and may be removed by treatment at a reasonably low cost.

Manganese ranges from 0.00 to 0.52 mg/l in 22 samples for which this constituent was determined. None of the 10 samples from calcareous rock units yielded water containing more than 0.05 mg/l, the limit recommended for drinking water by the U.S. Public Health Service (1962). Six of the 12 samples of ground water from the predominantly noncalcareous rock units contained manganese in excess of this amount.

## HYDROGEN SULFIDE

The "rotten egg" odor of hydrogen sulfide gas was reported to be present in water from several wells that penetrate shales of the Martinsburg and Reedsville Formations, and from shales of the Marcellus, Sherman Ridge, Mahantango, Rush, and Fort Littleton Formations. No measurements were made for this constituent, but a strong odor may result from concentrations of less than one part per million. Hydrogen sulfide is distasteful but harmless in drinking water, and waters containing it are generally slightly acidic.

## NITRATE AND CHLORIDE

Concentrations of nitrate and chloride present in ground water that has remained unaffected by human activities are generally low and have little affect on the utility of the water for most purposes. In humid areas, concentrations of these two constituents in ground water generally are less than 10 mg/l.

Several of the wells sampled for this study are near septic tanks, cesspools, barnyards, or heavily fertilized fields, which constitute a man-made source of nitrate and chloride in ground water. As a result, the concentrations of these constituents may be higher than natural levels. The median concentrations of nitrate and chloride shown for ground water from predominantly calcareous and noncalcareous rock units (see Table 11) are probably fairly representative of the average concentrations present in ground water throughout most of the study area. The median chloride content of ground water is less than 5 mg/l in both groups of rocks. The median concentration of nitrate is 11 mg/l in ground water from the calcareous rock units, but is only 1.0 mg/l in ground water from noncalcareous rock units. The higher median concentration for nitrate in water from calcareous rock units may be due in part to extensive fertilization of the intensively cultivated soils overlying these rock units.

The contents of nitrate and chloride was determined for ground-water samples from 22 wells located in or near the communities of Landisburg, Loysville, and Ickesburg in the Loysville quadrangle. As these communities have been served by individual wells and on-lot sewage-disposal systems for many years, the concentrations determined (see Table 13) give some idea of the magnitude of buildup of these two constituents that can be expected to occur over long periods of time in other unsewered communities in and near the study area. The median values for both nitrate and chloride is 22 mg/l, which is below the maximum limits of 45 and 250 mg/l, respectively, recommended for drinking water by the U.S. Public Health Service. Although concentrations varied widely, only two of the samples contained nitrate in excess of recommended limits. Nitrate concentrations range from 1.2 to 116 mg/l; chloride concentrations ranged from 3.0 to 124 mg/l. Both of the samples containing excessive nitrate were from shallow, hand-dug wells in the community of Landisburg. One of these wells (Pe-549), which yielded water containing 70 mg/l nitrate, is only 50 feet from a drilled well (Pe-107) that yielded water containing only 30 mg/l nitrate. The drilled well is 130 feet deep and is cased and grouted to a depth of 53 feet.

The presence in ground water supplies of nitrate and chloride derived from sewage does not necessarily indicate that the water contains bacterial organisms derived from the same source. Bacterial organisms may be filtered from sewage effluent as it percolates for short distances through soil and rock, whereas chloride and nitrate generally persist and are diminished mainly by dilution.

Well number	Type of well	Well depth (feet)	Casing depth (feet)	Water level			Chemical quality					Bacteriological quality		
				Date	Depth	Date sampled	Specific conductance (micromhos at 25° C)	Hardness (grains per gallon)	Nitrate (mg/l)	Chloride (mg/l)	Size of sample	Number of coliform	Coliform per 100 ml	
Landisburg Area														
Pe- 96	Drilled	72	49	Oct. 1964	10	11- 3-66	549	16	7.2	28	50 100	38 57	76 67	
Pe-107	Drilled	130	53	Dec. 1963	35	11- 3-66	950	24	30	97	50 100	0 0	0 0	
						4- 6-67	1,030	23	—	—	100 200	0 0	0 0	
Pe-110	Drilled	190	28	Oct. 1963	25	11- 3-66	—	—	1.2	3.0	50 100	0 1	0 1	
						4-11-67	315	4	—	—	100 200	0 0	0 0	
Pe-117	Drilled	125	39	Aug. 1963	65	11-16-66	630	15	6.6	10	50 100	0 0	0 0	
						4- 6-67	580	15	—	—	100 200	7 2	7 1	
Pe-153	Drilled	130	45	June 1965	72	11- 3-66	465	13	41	15	50 100	0 0	0 0	
						4-11-67	560	13	—	—	100 200	1 3	1 1.5	
Pe-169	Drilled	115	33	—	26	11-16-66	800	19	22	51	50 100	0 0	0 0	
						4-11-67	800	19	—	—	100 200	0 0	0 0	
Pe-445	Drilled	98	56	July 1966	20	11-16-66	400	10	13	6	50 100	0 1	0 1	
						4-11-67	450	11	—	—	100 200	0 0	0 0	
Pe-459	Dug	18	—	Oct. 1966	6	10-27-66	—	—	70	22	1 10	1 16	100 160	
						4-6-67	740	14	—	—	10 50	0 11	0 22	
Pe-460	Dug	22	—	Oct. 1966	9	10-7-66	1,175	21	116	92	10 50	— >80	— >160	



Table 13.—Bacterial and chemical quality of water from wells in or near the unsewered communities of Loysville, Landisburg, and Ickesburg—Continued

Loysville Area													
Pe-127	Drilled	131	61	Nov. 1961	95	11-14-66	300	8	22	4	50	0	0
						4-11-67	320	7	—	—	100	0	0
Pe-63	Drilled	103	43	Oct. 1958	40	11-16-66	615	15	32	32	50	2	2
						4-11-67	625	13	—	—	100	2	4
											200	1	0.5
Pe-168	Drilled	100	40	Aug. 1958	26	11-14-66	840	15	7.2	124	50	18	36
											100	51	51
Pe-170	Drilled	100	62	May 1958	35	11-14-66	335	11	22	10	50	0	0
						4-11-67	415	9	—	—	100	0	0
											200	0	0
Pe-413	Drilled	140	68	June 1966	86	11-14-66	300	9	25	6.0	50	0	0
						4-11-67	330	9	—	—	100	0	0
											200	0	0
Pe-461	Drilled	106	27	Nov. 1966	29	11-16-66	750	16	12	116	50	6	12
											100	26	26
Ickesburg Area													
Pe-341	Drilled	49	—	Aug. 1965	16.6	11-8-66	490	17	24	17	10	0	0
											50	2	4
Pe-305	Drilled	211	18	July 1958	6	11-8-66	830	20	22	72	50	3	6
											100	3	3
Pe-359	Drilled	100	28	—	—	11-8-66	680	17	0.7	70	10	0	0
											50	1	2
Pe-417	Drilled	81	40	May 1966	8	11-8-66	260	6	9.4	3.5	50	0	0
						4-11-67	210	5	—	—	100	0	0
											200	0	0
Pe-500	Drilled	43	20	Aug. 1966	7	10-13-66	690	17	23	40	50	31	62
Pe-501	Dug	20	—	—	—	11-8-66	980	18	24	39	10	30	300
Pe-502	Dug	20	—	—	—	11-8-66	450	19	10	—	20	40	200



## ALKYL BENZENE SULFONATE (ABS)

Alkyl benzene sulfonate is a synthetic organic chemical used in household detergents. In areas where sewage is discharged into the ground by means of septic tanks and cesspools, considerable quantities of this constituent may be introduced into the ground-water reservoir. The presence of small amounts of ABS in drinking water causes no toxic effects in humans, but concentrations of more than 0.5 mg/l may cause an undesirable taste, frothing, and may signal the presence of bacterial pollution. No tests were made for ABS. However, since none of the wells inventoried was reported to yield water that frothed noticeably, it is likely that ABS, where present, occurs in amounts of less than 0.5 mg/l.

## WATER QUALITY PROBLEMS

Water quality problems in the Loysville and Mifflintown quadrangles generally are confined to individual wells, and in most instances may be corrected either by treatment of the water or by improving the construction of the well. Troublesome or bothersome constituents most commonly reported to be present in ground-water supplies include iron, hydrogen sulfide, hardness, bacterial organisms from sewage, and petroleum products derived from buried storage tanks.

Excessive iron, hydrogen sulfide, and hardness in water from existing wells generally may be eliminated or reduced only by treating the water. During the construction of new wells, however, it may be possible to locate and case off zones that yield water of poor quality. Identification of the offending yielding zone, or zones, may be accomplished by frequent sampling of the well discharge as a well is being deepened. For example, during the construction of test well Ju-283, the hardness of the water at a depth of 136 feet was 64 grains per gallon (approximately 1,090 mg/l); at a depth of 200 feet the hardness had decreased to 32 gpg, approximately 545 mg/l, indicating that water of considerably better quality enters the well below a depth of 136 feet. Casing this well to a depth of 136 feet would reduce the yield substantially but would greatly improve the quality of the water.

Most instances of contamination of well supplies by petroleum products were caused by leakage of fuel oil or gasoline from buried storage tanks. Although most such leaks have been stopped, gasoline or fuel oil has continued to seep to some nearby wells for several years. Well Pe-212 in the community of Landisburg, for example, was reported to have been contaminated in 1954 by gasoline that leaked from a buried tank about 70 feet away. The well, which is 107 feet deep and contains an unknown amount of casing, still smelled strongly of gasoline in 1967. A new well (Pe-171) drilled about 120 feet from the buried tank and about 50 feet from Pe-212, yields water free of gasoline. The new well is cased to a depth of 41 feet. Casing in well Pe-212

is highly corroded and probably leaks. Because petroleum products float on the water table, deep casing generally will eliminate them from a well supply so long as the water level in the well is not drawn down below the bottom of the casing for prolonged periods.

### Bacterial Contamination Of Wells

Bacterial contamination of well water is possible in any area where sewage is discharged into the ground near a well. The possibility of contamination is especially great, however, in communities of closely spaced homes that have on-lot disposal systems. The close spacing of septic-tank leach fields, cesspools, or other disposal systems, and the unavoidable placement of some wells on the downslope from sewage-disposal systems on adjacent lots, may result in bacterial contamination of ground water at shallow depths around many drilled wells. These wells may become contaminated if they contain too little casing, or if the annular opening around the exterior of the casing is not tightly sealed.

Other conditions, of course, may be responsible for the bacterial contamination of a drilled well. Contaminated water may enter a faultily constructed well, move downward to a deep water-bearing zone, and then move laterally through fractures to a nearby well that is otherwise adequately cased and sealed. Introduction of sewage wastes to the bedrock, either where bedrock is close to land surface or where it is penetrated by deep cesspools, may result in the condition where the sewage effluent receives too little filtration and decomposition to remove all bacterial organisms before it reaches a nearby well.

Dug wells and springs in areas of closely spaced homes are highly susceptible to bacterial contamination. Their use for drinking and culinary supplies should be avoided, unless periodic examination has shown them to be free of sewage-derived bacteria. All well supplies, of course, should be tested periodically for bacterial content.

Water samples from 22 wells were tested for coliform bacteria, nitrate, and chloride during the fall of 1966. Twelve of the wells were retested for bacteria during the spring of 1967. Results of the tests are given in Table 13.

Four of the wells sampled are hand-dug wells that range from 18 to 22 feet in depth. The other 18 wells are drilled and range from 43 to 211 feet in depth. These wells are cased to depths ranging from 18 to 68 feet. All of the wells sampled are in or near the unsewered communities of Loysville, Landisburg, and Ickesburg.

Tests for coliform organisms were made by the membrane filter technique. A sample was considered to be contaminated if it contained more than 2.2 coliform organisms per 100 milliliters. No published standards are available that give the acceptable level of coliform bacteria in drinking water from domestic wells, on the basis of the analysis of single samples. However, the

Pennsylvania Department of Health considers water from domestic wells to be unsafe for drinking if more than 2.2 coliform bacteria per 100 milliliters are present in two consecutive samples.

Water samples from the four dug wells were grossly contaminated by coliform bacteria, suggesting that ground water at shallow depths in these communities may be generally contaminated. Eight of the drilled wells also were contaminated. Casing depths in seven of these drilled wells ranged from 18 to 49 feet and the median depth was 39 feet. The annular space around the most deeply-cased contaminated well was grouted with cement. Casing depths in the 10 uncontaminated wells ranged from 28 to 68 feet and the median depth was 49 feet.

Results of tests of two wells, which are spaced only a short distance apart in the community of Landisburg, illustrate the effectiveness of adequate casing and a tight casing seal in preventing bacterial contamination of a well supply. Well Pe-107 is 130 feet deep, is cased and grouted with cement to a depth of 53 feet, and had a static water level 35 feet below land surface in December, 1963. Approximately 40 feet away, at about the same altitude, is well Pe-459, which is dug to a depth of 18 feet and in which the static water level was 6 feet below land surface in October, 1966. The water levels, although measured during different years, were measured during the same season and, thus, would indicate a general difference in head of about 30 feet, between the two wells. The large difference in head that exists between the two wells would cause shallow ground water to flow into the drilled well if its casing were too short or if the casing seal leaked. Bacteriological tests of water from the two wells, on two occasions, showed that the water in the dug well was grossly contaminated, but no bacterial organisms were present in water from the drilled well. This situation indicates that no direct inflow occurs around the casing of the drilled well. The relatively high nitrate content of 30 mg/l in water from the drilled well does indicate, however, that the chemical quality of the ground water is affected by the disposal of sewage into the ground nearby.

Data from this study are insufficient to establish the minimum casing length necessary to prevent bacterial contamination of a well. In some instances, contamination may be unpreventable unless nearby wells are properly cased and sealed. In areas of closely spaced homes, it appears advisable to case and grout wells to a depth of at least 50 feet.

## WATER USE

Development of both ground- and surface-water resources has been minor in the Loysville and Mifflintown quadrangles. Most water is used for residential or farm needs. Very little water is used for irrigation, and much of the water used by commerce and industry is used for sanitary purposes.

Only five communities—Mifflin, Mifflintown, McAlisterville, McClure, and Port Royal—are served by public distribution systems. The amount of water distributed in 1964 by the four water-supply facilities that serve these communities is shown in Table 14. Approximately 27 percent of the water distributed was obtained from wells; the remainder was obtained from streams and springs. The Mifflintown Municipal Authority obtained its entire supply from reservoirs on Licking Creek and Macedonia Run. The other facilities obtained their water from wells and springs.

Average daily usage during 1964 amounted to 0.19 mgd (million gallons per day), which for the 6,200 people served is equivalent to a per capita use of about 30 gallons per day. This relatively low value reflects the dominant use of the water for residential needs. The national average usage of water in areas served by public water-supply systems was 151 gallons per day per person in 1960 (MacKichan and Kammerer, 1961, p. 4).

Most users that are not on public-supply systems obtain their water from drilled wells, although a few supplies are obtained from springs and shallow hand-dug wells.

The communities of Mifflin, Mifflintown, and Port Royal are served by sewer systems. Water supplied to these areas from streams, springs, or wells is used, treated, and discharged into the Juniata River. Elsewhere in the study area, much of the water pumped from wells and springs is used and returned to the ground-water reservoir by means of septic tanks or cesspools. This water is partially reconditioned by the soil and rock through which it moves before it becomes available for reuse.

## CONCLUSIONS

The ultimate source of all ground and surface water in the Loysville and Mifflintown quadrangles is precipitation, which ranges from 26 to 62 inches annually and averages about 41 inches annually. Simple water budgets computed for four drainage basins that include parts of the study area indicate that 54 to 60 percent of the average annual precipitation is consumed by evaporation and plant transpiration. Part of the remainder flows over the land surface to nearby streams, and part of it infiltrates to the water table and flows very slowly to streams through fractures in the bedrock. Ground water discharge to a stream that drains a 15-square mile area in the Loysville quadrangle accounted for 58 percent of the average annual flow over an 11-year period.

Despite the proportionately large ground-water contribution to stream-flow, low specific capacities of wells and low reported yields of wells in all rock units indicate that the permeability of the bedrock is relatively low.

The ground-water reservoir in the study area consists of the saturated parts of the saprolite and zone of open fractures in the bedrock. The saprolite



Table 14.—*Water distributed by public-supply systems during 1964*<sup>a</sup>

Name of facility	Estimated population served	Number of customers	Millions of gallons sold	Estimated percentage obtained from wells	Type of use (in percent)			Per capita usage (gpd)
					Residential	Commercial	Industrial	Other
McAlisterville Water Authority	700	251	<sup>b</sup> 13.8	50	84	14	2	—
Mifflintown Municipal Authority	3,500	981	<sup>c</sup> 37.2	0	46	34	15	5
Port Royal Municipal Authority	1,000	348	<sup>b</sup> 12.5	70	96	2	—	2
West Beaver Municipal Authority (serves McClure)	1,000	332	<sup>c</sup> 6.9	50	81	9	4	6
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<sup>a</sup> Data obtained in part from Pennsylvania Department of Commerce, Bureau of Statistics.<sup>b</sup> Unmetered.<sup>c</sup> Metered.



has an average thickness of about 35 feet on hillsides and hilltops and about 20 feet in valleys. It has low permeability but relatively high porosity, and, where saturated, it comprises an important storage reservoir that supplies water to fractures in the underlying bedrock. Its saturated thickness varies seasonally, ranging from 0 to 5 feet on hillsides and 5 to 10 feet in valleys. The fractures in the bedrock function primarily as conduits that transmit water from areas of recharge to areas or points of discharge.

Joints are abundant in surficial exposures of bedrock, but the size and frequency of openings apparently decrease rather abruptly at shallow depth. Wells typically penetrate only two or three low-yielding, narrow, water-bearing zones in the upper 100 feet of bedrock. Reported-yield, specific-capacity, and borehole-flow data from a few relatively deep wells indicate that most of the principal water-bearing openings occur above a depth of 200 feet.

Most of the wells inventoried are believed to penetrate only part of the zone of open fractures in the bedrock. However, it is believed that the specific capacity and yield of most existing wells would show only a moderate increase if the wells were drilled considerably deeper. These wells are considered to have specific capacities and yields that are fairly representative of the upper 100 feet of bedrock. As most of the principal water-bearing openings apparently occur above a depth of 200 feet, and because fracture permeability decreases at depth, it is considered unlikely that existing short-term specific capacities and yields could be more than doubled.

Yields reported for more than 500 wells range from less than 1 to 275 gpm and the median yield is 12 gpm. Short-term specific capacities range from less than 0.1 gpm per ft to 62 gpm per ft and the median value is 0.55 gpm per ft.

Analysis of short-term specific-capacity data on frequency graphs shows that a considerable range in values can be expected from wells drilled in any rock type or topographic position. Nevertheless, for any given frequency of occurrence, specific capacities of wells drilled in limestone and calcareous shale are about double those of wells drilled in non-calcareous sandstones and shales. Similarly, in a given rock type, the specific capacities of wells drilled in valleys are about double those of wells drilled on hilltops and hillsides.

Yields adequate for domestic needs are obtainable nearly everywhere in the study area, generally from wells that are less than 150 feet deep. Somewhat deeper wells may be required, however, on hillsides and hilltops underlain by calcareous rock types.

Rock units considered to have good yielding potential to wells are the calcareous shales and limestones of Late Silurian and Early Devonian age. Included in this category are the Wills Creek, Tonoloway, Keyser, Oriskany, Helderberg, Old Port, and Onondaga Formations. Of these, the Wills Creek

and Tonoloway Formations are the most important, because they underlie more valley area than the other formations.

Rock units considered to have fair yielding potential to wells include most of the noncalcareous shales and sandstones that do not underlie the steep slopes and crests of mountains and principal ridges. Units included in this category are the Martinsburg, Reedsville, and Bloomsburg Formations; the Shamokin and Mahanoy members of the Marcellus Formation; and the Sherman Ridge, Rush, Fort Littleton, and Catskill Formations.

Rock units considered to have poor yielding potential consist chiefly of the noncalcareous sandstones and shales that underlie the crests and steep slopes of mountains and ridges. Included in this category are the Bald Eagle, Juniata, Rose Hill, and Mifflintown Formations; the Turkey Ridge Member of the Marcellus Formation; and the Montebello Formation.

The exceptionally high specific capacity of 62 gpm per ft obtained for a test well drilled on a fracture trace in limestone supports conclusions drawn from a study in a nearby area that fracture traces mark zones of above-average permeability in carbonate rock units. The potential of fracture traces as a tool for prospecting for ground water appears to be great, but much additional evidence is required to fully evaluate their hydrologic significance. Especially needed are data regarding the yields of wells drilled on fracture traces in noncarbonate rocks.

Comparison of two dominant trends of fracture traces with two dominant trends of joints in the Loysville quadrangle shows that a northwest-trending joint set coincides approximately with a northwest-trending fracture trace set. However, a north-trending set of fracture traces has no corresponding joint set, indicating that these features are not necessarily joint-controlled, as has been assumed in some areas. Joints trend dominantly N 50°–60° E and N 20°–40° W; fracture traces trend dominantly N 0°–10° E and N 20°–30° W.

Ground water from all rock units in the Loysville and Mifflintown quadrangles is generally of good chemical quality. Water from calcareous shales and limestones generally has a dissolved solids content of 200 to 300 mg/l and is generally hard to very hard. Water from the non-calcareous shales and sandstones generally has a total dissolved solids content of 100 to 200 mg/l and is generally soft to moderately hard.

High concentrations of sulfate are present locally in water from the Wills Creek and Tonoloway Formations, and iron is troublesome locally in non-calcareous shales and sandstones. Reports of high concentrations of iron are most common from wells tapping black shales of the Martinsburg, Reedsville and Marcellus Formations and from wells in the interbedded sandstones and shales of the Mahantango Formation. Hydrogen sulfide gas is also present in noticable amounts in some wells in these units.

Conditions that may lead to bacterial contamination of wells exist in many areas. In areas of closely spaced homes served by on-lot sewage-disposal systems, shallow ground water around many drilled wells is bac-

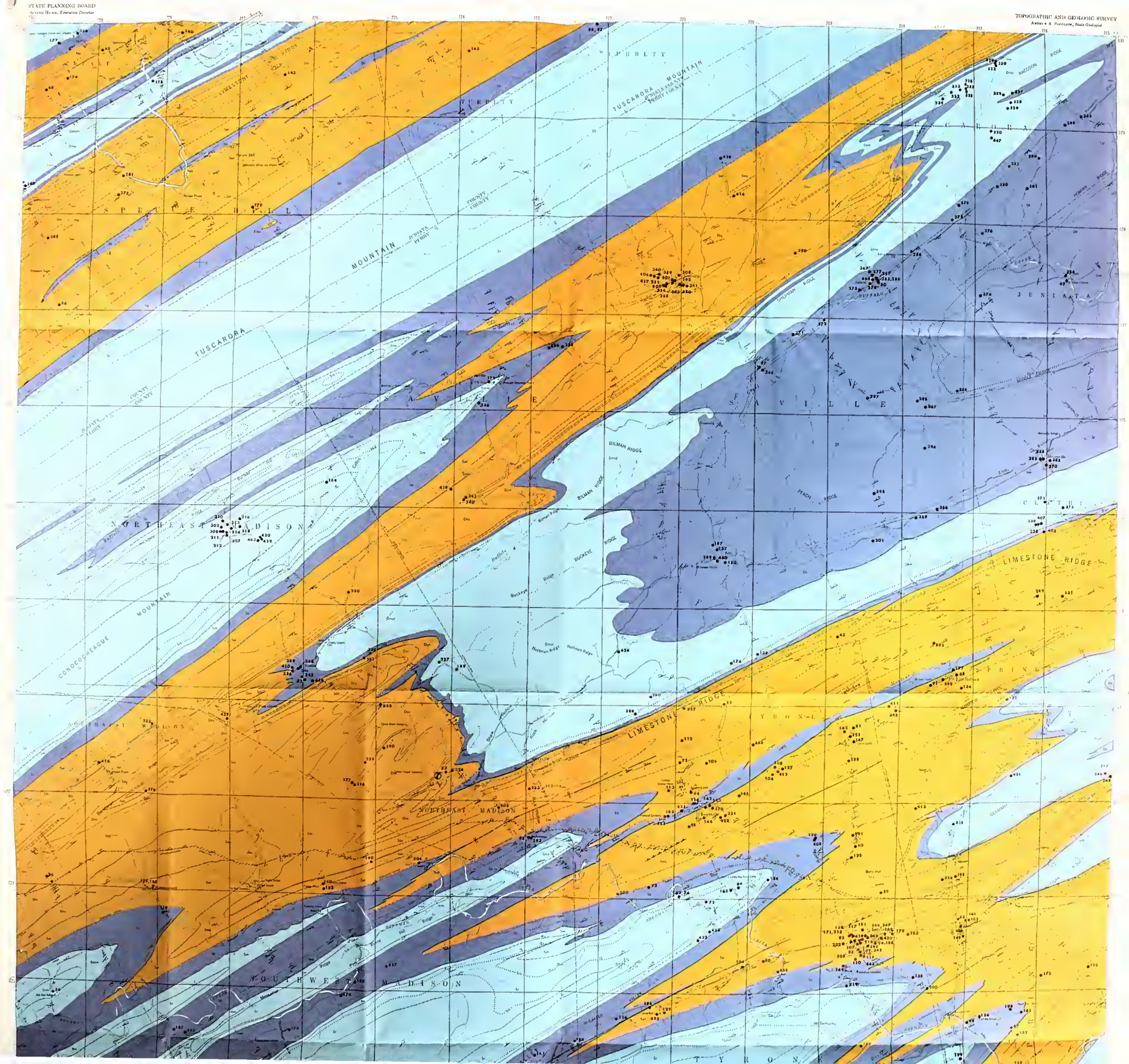
terially contaminated. If the wells contain too little casing, or if the casing is inadequately sealed, natural hydraulic gradients may cause bacterially contaminated water to flow into the well. Even where a well is adequately constructed, pollution may result from polluted water that has entered the ground through a faultily constructed well nearby.

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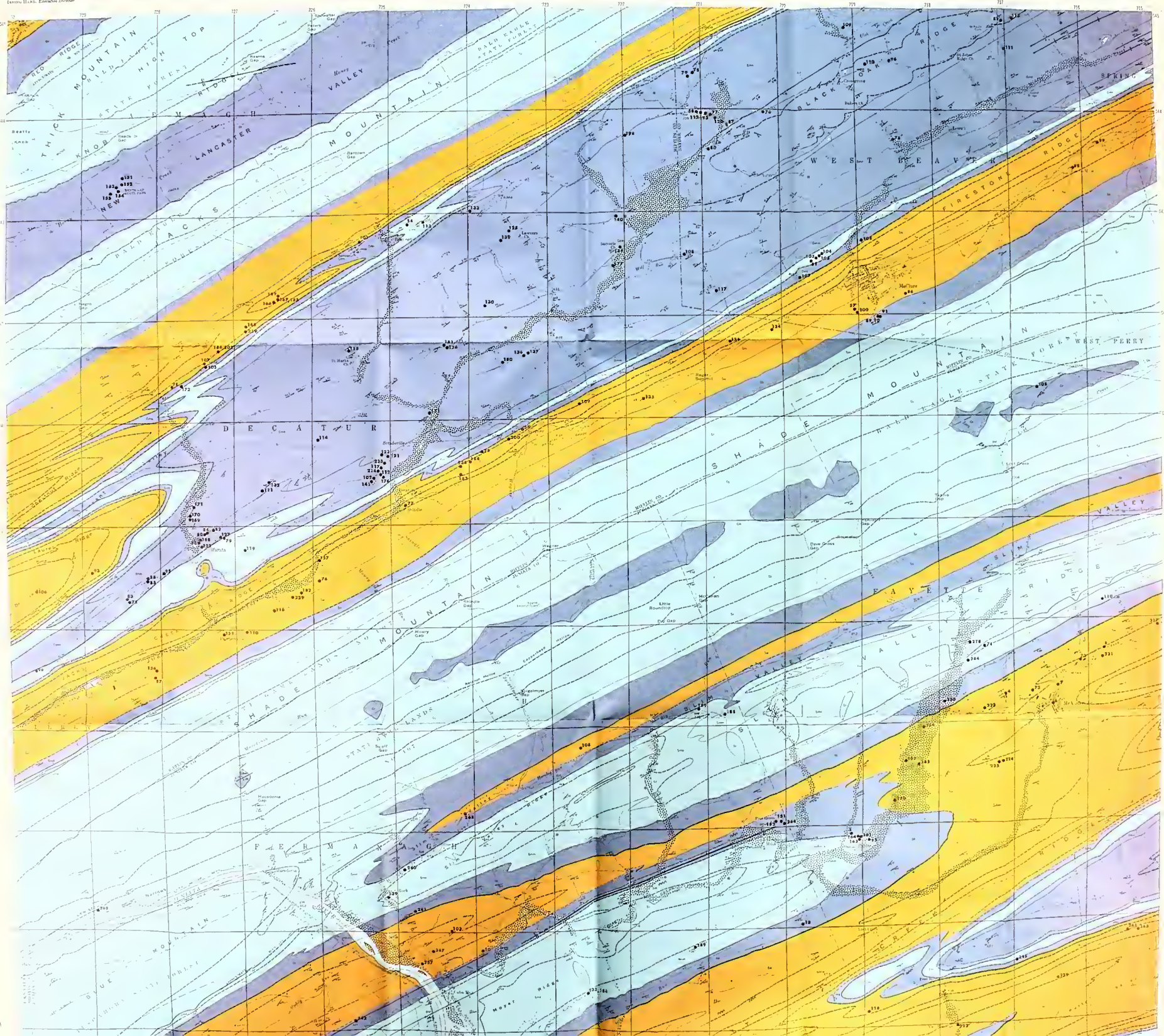




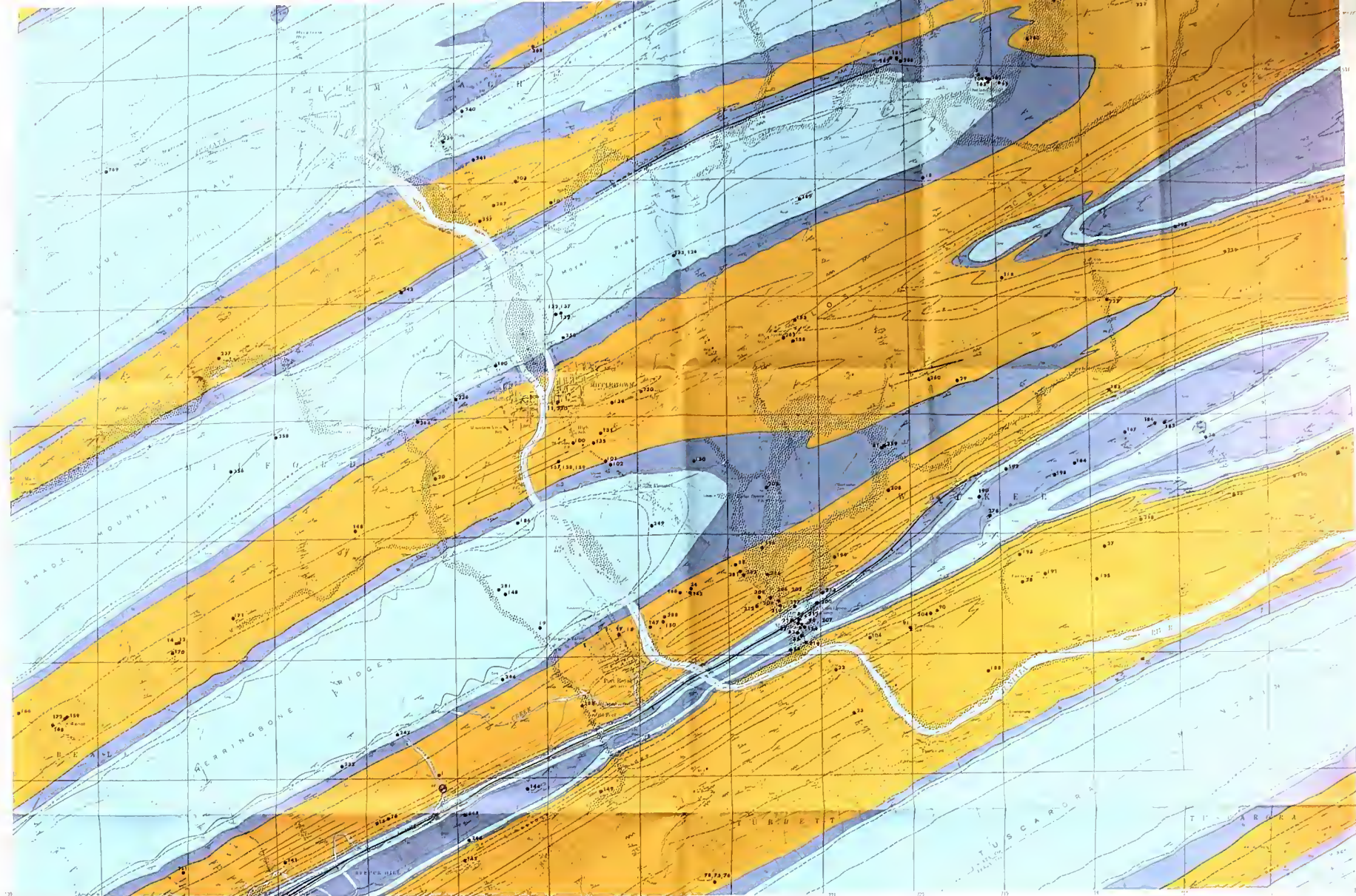












# HYDROLOGIC MAP OF THE MIFFLINTOWN QUADRANGLE, SOUTH CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA

## EXPLANATION

### WATER YIELDING POTENTIAL

The estimated potential for rock units to yield water in wells drilled to depths of 100 feet was determined by using the following criteria: (1) The units were grouped into three categories: (a) units which are expected to yield water in wells drilled to depths of 100 feet; (b) units which are expected to yield water in wells drilled to depths of 100 feet; and (c) units which are expected to yield water in wells drilled to depths of 100 feet. The units were grouped into three categories: (a) units which are expected to yield water in wells drilled to depths of 100 feet; (b) units which are expected to yield water in wells drilled to depths of 100 feet; and (c) units which are expected to yield water in wells drilled to depths of 100 feet.

### ROCK UNITS

(Color coded according to yield potential)

### Floodplain and Tertiary Deposits

Unconsolidated sediments which are expected to yield water in wells drilled to depths of 100 feet. Generally low yield in the floodplain, but may be the source of water in wells. (See also the section on the floodplain in the report on the hydrology of the Mifflintown Quadrangle.)

### Fort Ligonier Formation

Thin to thin gray sandstone, siltstone, and shale with some interbedded dark gray shale at base. Medium reported yield of water is 1 gpm, range is 0.5 to 2 gpm. Median thickness of water is 10 feet.

### Hick Formation

Thin gray shale (Hick Member) in thin gray sandstone and siltstone. At base is a layer of medium to coarse sandstone. Medium reported yield of water is 1 gpm, range is 0.5 to 2 gpm. Median thickness of water is 10 feet.

### Mahanostock Formation

Interbedded, light to dark gray sandstone, siltstone, and shale. In some places, the sandstone is very fine-grained and shaly. Medium reported yield of water is 1 gpm, range is 0.5 to 2 gpm. Median thickness of water is 10 feet.

### Marcellus Formation

Thin to thin gray sandstone, siltstone, and shale with some interbedded dark gray shale at base. Medium reported yield of water is 1 gpm, range is 0.5 to 2 gpm. Median thickness of water is 10 feet.

### Turkey Hill Member (Dunkle)

Thin to thin gray sandstone, siltstone, and shale with some interbedded dark gray shale at base. Medium reported yield of water is 1 gpm, range is 0.5 to 2 gpm. Median thickness of water is 10 feet.

### Shanklin Member (Dunkle)

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### Old Fort Formation

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### Keyser Formation

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### Wills Creek Formation

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### Mifflintown Formation

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